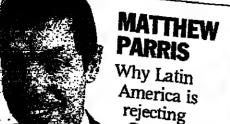
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Grandmother to the gentry

Elizabeth Longford reflects on the pleasures of extended families

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#### **BANK HOLIDAY SPORT**

Argentine Grand Prix: Hill wins four in a row Rangers beat Celtic in the semi-final of the

Spelling skills

three times

worse among

GCSE students

By David Charter, education correspondent

A SIGNIFICANT slide in

leenagers' writing skills since

1980 has been revealed by a

comparison of English O-level scripts with GCSE examina-

Researchers concluded that candidates who failed O level

would now be receiving a grade C or better at GCSE

nglish, said to be the equiva-

The study, by the University of Cambridge Local Examina-

iions Syndicate, contains a damning indictment of the

national curriculum for a

sharp decline in spelling. English GCSE students in

1994 were up to three times

worse at spelling than O-level

pupils in 1980 and had a

narrower range of vocabulary.

There was a six-fold increase

in the use of non-standard

The study concluded: "In

pupils receiving the same grades 14 years later. While

the punctuation of more able

students was comparable over

time, weaker O-level students

were much better than weaker

GCSE pupils.

lent of an O-level pass.

non papers.



right (instead of all right) was

used at D grade in O level but at A grade in GCSE.

There was also a marked deterioration in spelling between 1993 and 1994. An

average of 50 spelling errors

per script in 1980 was followed

by 93 per script in 1993 and 149

the next year. This was pin

down to the scrapping after 1993 of an option for the whole

GCSE to be assessed on coursework. The vast majority

of schools opted for the full

coursework alternative in 1993

and examined schools that

year included a high propor-

tion of selective and indepen-

dent schools. In

tional test.

schools were again forced to

put pupils through the tradi-

O-level candidates were also

more likely to make proper

use of full stops and commas.

Semi-colons were used appro-

priately eight times in the samples from 1980 and incor-

recily once. However, just three candidates in both 1993

and in 1994 used the semi-

colon correctly, with one incor-

rect attempt in 1994. The colon

was used three times in 1930,

once oiistakenly, but was not even tried by anybody in 1993.

# Hereditary peers 'will lose vote' Blair to inflict

Catholicism

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instant curb on the Lords

By JILL SHERMAN, CHIEF POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

LABOUR is planning to abolish hereditary peers' voting rights as soon as it comes to power in the first step towards an elected House of Lords.

Tony Blair has made clear his disdain of the 770 hereditary peers - whom he described as Tory voting fodder" — and party strate-gists are considering bringing in a short Bill to strip them of their powers within the first six months of a Labour

More radical reform of the Lords might have to wait until a second or third Labour Parliament, so the curb is partly intended to reassure activists and prevent party splits in the early stages of a Blair administration.

There are hundreds of Tory hereditary peers, compared with 12 Labour and 24 Liberal Democrats, giving the Conservatives a massive built-in ma-jority in the Lords. Mr Blair, who recently declared that some were there merely because they were the descendants of royal mistresses, intends to reverse that, although he has made plain that those who provide good service to Parliament could become life peers and continue voting. The

law lords would also remain. Well-known figures who would be disenfranchised by such a law include the Lords leader. Viscount Cranborne, Lord Strathclyde, the Tory chief whip, along with the Labour peers Lord Ponsonby and Lord Melchett. The Labour leadership has yet to decide whether they should be given the right - at present

ifident

#### Tories accused of smear tactics

A Tory attempt to discredit Tony Blair on the eve of his visit to Washington appeared to have foundered as American commeotalors professed themselves unimpressed by a document prepared by Conservative Central Office high-lighting his "un-American activities". Labour called the document "an outrageous

Archdeacon's support. Peter Riddell Leading article

denied them - to vote in parliamentary elections.

Mr Blair's determination to pre-empt any party disunity was shown two weeks ago when he announced that he intended to ballot all 365,000 party members on Labour's manifesto. That move was designed to bind in the whole party into his programme to modernise Labour policy.

eers dian is similarly intended to deflect leftwingers who might demand more radical measures at a time when the party is concentrating on complicated legislation for a Scottish

parliament. The idea has widespread support among Labour MPs, particularly the Left, and it is likely to be endorsed by many of the smaller parties. Labour strategists believe that even some Tories might back the move, and they are confident

the measures through both the Commons and the Lords.

Sources also point out that once hereditary peers lost the vote, they would not be able to block a Scottish Parliament, which could have a difficult

passage through the Lords. But some MPs argue in favour of delay, saying that peers could be threatened with more draconian measures if they failed to back other legislation on constitutional matters.

The shadow home office team is now preparing timeta-bles for all the constitutional legislation that Mr Blair intends to introduce, including a Scottish parliament, Welsh assembly and regional chambers. Shadow ministers are said to be drawing up three separate timetables, allowing for a hung Parliament, a slim

majority, or a large mandate. Little work, however, is being done on plans to hold a referendum on electoral reform. Labour also hopes to placate the left by offering a pledge fur legislation on first stage for elected regional assemblies in a first Parlia-ment Jack Straw, the Shadow Home Secretary, has already given an undertaking that each region will be able to vote in a referendum on whether it wants greater autonomy.

But leftwingers are worried that legislation will be deferred to a second Parliament and Mr Straw is being pressed to back early legislation to allow for the setting up of elected regional chambers after a referendum.



Lynne Symonds, a Norfolk teacher, being made a chief of the Maroprusi tribe of Ghana at the weekend. Mrs Symonds was honoured for her help in providing books and raising money for the tribal school. Page 9. Leading article, page 15

#### Korea alert as troops move in

American troops in South Korea were put on high alert at the weekend, as a third incursion of North Korean soldiers into the demilitarised zone yesterday raised tensions in the divided pen-insula. About 300 heavily armed soldiers entered the joint security area at the Panmunjom border cross-ing in 12 lorries. They began to leave more than two

#### hours later ....

PO takes off The Post Office could become Britain's biggest travel agent if a trial in London is successful. Thousands of branches could sell cut-price air tickets and have computer systems to enable customers to fix up their travel ----- Page 36

FROM GILES WHITTELL IN LOS ANGELES CRAMMED into a smug-

Mexicans die in

**US** border crash

gler's stolen van, seven suspected illegal immigrants with hopes of a new life in America from the neck down. As news of Saturday's tragewere killed when their vehicle overturned in a ditch while fleeing the US Border Patrol. The crash, less than a week after a videotape of police beating two immigrants was shown around the world, has brought Mexican anger over "Christ's parents were immigrants." read one banner. America's treatment of its

citizens to a crescendo even though officials insist the vehicle was not being chased. Besides the dead, the incident on a remote mountain road, 60 miles north of California's Mexican border, left 18 injured including three men

one believed to be paralysed

dy reached Los Angeles, a mood of sorrow at a rally for the victims of last week's televised beating turned to one of outrage. A 6,000-strong crowd chanted slogans, waved placards and brought parts of the city to a standstill.

Latino politicians attacked Pete Wilson, the state Governor re-elected in 1994 on an anti-immigration platform.

The Mexican Foreign Ministry issued an official complaint, its second in six days, and demanded an investigawith severe spinal injuries, tion by American authorities.

foxtrot, waltz. quickstep. Latin and

Recruits, who are in their early

twenties and come from both public

and comprehensive schools, also at-tend "dining in" evenings where they

are encouraged to converse with

senior officers. Other lessons cover

common etiquette and social respon-

sibility", including such topics as dress

codes and terms of address; for

example how to greet an archbishop.

Michael, himself a product of

Cranwell, has ordered the creation of a

confidential drugs hotline at the headquarters of the RAF Police, in

In a separate development Sir

even rock-and-roll moves.

## Spelling differences were noticeable. For example, al-Blunkett returns, page 4 SP

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## Ulster is still at war, says former IRA terrorist

By Nicholas Watt, Ireland Correspondent

GERRY KELLY, the convicted IRA bomber and leading Re-publican strategist, declared yesterday in a rare public speech that Northern Ireland was in "a war situation".

And, as thousands of Republicans gathered for Easter Rising Commemoration parades on both sides of the border, John Bruton, the Irish Prime Minister, was accused of caving into London and failing to provide the right leadership. Gerry Adams, the Sinn Fein president, told a Londonderry rally: "Mr Bruton has not so far risen to the challenge presented by British duplicity and bad

The Times on the Internet

http://www.the-times.co.uk

Mr Kelly, 41, who is widely respected throughout the IRA for his role as a leading terrorist in the 1970s and 1980s. was cheered by hundreds of supporters when he told a Sinn Fein and IRA rally in Drumbo, County Donegal that Republicans were still committed to removing Brit-

ain from Ireland. "If the British Government had not squandered the year and a half of the IRA cessation for selfish party political rea-sons, we might have been well on the way to the resolution of the age-old conflict between Britain and Ireland, "he said.

Mr Kelly, who was convict-

ed for his part in the first

London bomb attacks by the Provisional IRA in 1973, said that the movement's goals had not changed. "We want British withdrawal Partition must end. It has not worked."

In a sign that the IRA is unlikely to restore its ceasefire in the short-term, Mr Kelly insisted that Britain must give "clear and unambiguous public assurances" that it would convene unconditional all-par-

ty talks.

If A Labour government would abolish powers to ban terrorist suspects from the British mainland under the Prevention of Terrorism Act. Jack Straw, the Shadow Home Secretary said.

## Leading article, page 15 RAF gives the Brylcreem boys a bit more polish

By Adrian Lee

THE RAF is in danger of becoming the riff-raff, senior service officers fear. Once upon a time, young RAF officers were so socially adroit and dashing that they were known as the Brylcreem boys. Now they speak in monosyllables and are more at home in the disco than the ballroom.

To rectify matters, the latest 100 recruits at Cranwell are to be schooled in the finer points of life by order of Air Chief Marshal Sir Michael Graydon, Chief of the Air Staff. Sir Michael called for oral commu-

nication classes at the service's officer

trainees responded with grunts of When it came to formal dancing the yeah" and "OK" to polite inquiries from visiting superiors about their course. Worse was to follow when it emerged that the recruits, who are regarded as among the cream of the armed forces, did not know a foxtrot

An RAF source said yesterday: This all stemmed from a visit to the mess by two very senior officers. When they asked the cadets how things were going, they got monosyllabic answers. It was all very embarrassing.

"On another occasion the cadets were at a civic function, where the mayor and mayoress were present.

officers just sat and looked at one another. The only dancing they know is in a disco. It is not a reflection on the qualities of the lads and lasses - these are very intelligent people - it is more a reflection on the times we live in. But t got back to Sir Michael, who wanted to know what the hell was going on and ordered the commandant at Cranwell to do something about it. "An RAF officer must be able to

not be embarrassed socially." The ballroom dancing sessions are not compulsory, but cadets on the eight-week courses are "strongly advised" to participate. They are taught

carry him or herself at all times and

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Judge

attacks

Howard

reforms

A former Master of the

Rolls yesterday accused Michael Howard of turn-

ing his White Paper on

tougher sentencing into an election manifesto and

mixing party politics with

Lord Donaldson of

Lymington said: "The

White Paper read in part

mnre as an election mani-festo than it did as a

serious study of penal

He also attacked the

way penal policy had

swung from one extreme

to the other in recent years

and suggested that at-tempts had been made to

undermine public respect

penal reform.

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## Americans dismiss 'smear memo

AND IAN BRODIE IN WASHINGTON

A TORY attempt to discredit Tony Blair on the eve of his visit to Washington this week appeared to have foundered last night as American commentators professed themselves unimpressed by a document highlighting his "un-American activities".

A memorandum drawn up by the research department at Conservative Central Office and sent to Republican sympathising journalists in the United States was cited by Labour as evidence of a dirty tricks campaign against Mr Blair. But Conservative chiefs de-fended their action, accusing Labour of "hysterical response" and said that all the information provided in the document was properly sourced and

beyond dispute.

Tory sources said the document was compiled by the research department, under Daniel Finkelstein, its director, after American commentators approached the department for information about "this man Tony Blair". However, at least one of the recipients, a senior journalist, was given it

without asking for it.

The document, which Labour be lieves was designed to sabotage Mr Blair's three days of talks with President Clinton, other politicians and businesmen, highlights Mr Blair's

By PHILIP WEBSTER

POLITICAL EDITOR

A SENIOR churchman threw

his support behind Tony Blair

esterday after the Labour

leader enraged Conservatives

by linking politics and religion

and saying that the Bible had

taught him that he could never be a Tory.
The Ven George Austin,
Archdeacon of York, said he

would be voting Labour at the

General Election and launch-

ed a blistering attack on the Government's handling of the

Scott report and BSE. He suggested that "morality comes second" for Tory MPs.

The Labour leader, who set

out his religious views in a

newspaper article, was ac-

cused by one Conservative MP

of "wearing God on his

sleeve". Coming on the day

that official research indicated

that Mr Blair had succeeded

in making the Labour Party

more middle class than the

Conservative Party, his re-

marks were more than senior

Tory MPs could stomach.

They also prompted senior

Labour figures to deny that he

was arguing that "Christians

Brian Mawhinney, Conser-

should only vote Labour".

The Lahour Party's Un . American Activities

1. Blair's un-American Activities

1.1 Tony Blair in the early 1980s was opposed to nuclear weapons. During the Beaconsfield by election of 1982 he wrote, I support the Labour Party's present leadership' including such policies as, 'nuclear disarmament, unilaterally if necessary'. His election leafless said Nuclear meapons are not a deterrent they are an encouragement to attack' (quoted in The Moderniser, by Jon Sopel, p.59 2

past opposition to nuclear weapons and states that in the 1980s both he and his wife Cherie were "anti-nuclear and anti-American". It claims that Mr Blair opposed the actions taken by America in 1986 in response to Libyan terrorist activities, and had backed the removal of American nuclear missiles from Greenham Common.

Quoting from a Commons motion it added that he had criticised America's "evil campaign" against Nicaragua and "President Reagan's state-spon-sored terrorism" in Central America. The document goes on to detail the

Supper Club which had opposed Britain's entry into the war against Iraq. "Mr Blair has seen fit to promote these MPs irrespective of their views. This is largely because he sympathises with them," it asserts. Tory sources said there was nothing

secretive about the document which would in any case have been distribut-ed to Westminster journalists this week

However, the heading on the paper, McCarthyite era. Labour officials at-

worsen the administration's relations with John Major. Clinton supporters remain irritated that senior Tories were sent to America to help in George Bush's failed re-election campaign four

years ago.

Mr Blair will be attempting to convince Americans that Labour has buried its far left ideals and observders suggested yesterday that the document

would have little impact on his visit.

John O'Sullivan, British-born editor
of National Review, a right-wing magazine, described the allegations as "true but trivial". He was offered the 12 pages by a Tory source but had paid

scant attention to them.
"Nobody really believes Tony Blair is the man he was in the 1980s," he

In Mr O'Sullivan's view, the headline on the document about "un-American activities" was sensationalistic". He said: "I would be American equally cynical about the Tory attempts to spoil the Blair visit and Labour's indignation about it."

The Tory stunt had not caused any reaction in America by yesterday. There was only a news agency report from London on the political row caused by the document. No American newspapers or television news programmes had picked up on its allegations. They might, though, as the week

Opera TB tests

for the judiciary.

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Mure than 200 members of the opera bouse staff at Glyndebourne have been tested for tuberculosis after five cases of the disease among staff with-in three years. No further cases were found in the tests, ordered by East Sus-sex Health Authority, but contacts are still being traced. The Glyndebourne season will open as sched-uled on May 17.

Driving charge

The Princess of Wales's mother has been charged; with refusing to provide a breath sample after being stopped by police Frances Shand Kydd, 60, could also face a drink-driving charge after the incident in Ohan. Strathelyde, on Friday. She lives near by on the island of Seil She moved in the area after; leaving her first husband, the late Earl Spencer.

Oriana sets sail

The Oriana, P&O's £200 millinn flagship liner, is due to return in the water today after spending two days in dry dock in Southampton being fitted with new propeller blades to stop her shaking at high speed. The cruise liner returned from her inaugural world cruise last week and is due to depart tonight for the Caribbean.

First point

Poole Town has narrowly escaped going into the rec-ord books as the worst soccer team in Britain after drawing 0-0 with Bashley at the weekend. The Beazer Homes Southern side halted a run of 39 consecutive defeats, equalling a record set 18 years ago by Stockport County. and gained its first point

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The Queen's niece, Lady Sarab Chatto, above, the furmer Lady Sarah Arm strong-Jones, is expecting a baby in July. The daughter of Princess Margaret and Lord Snowdon, and ber husband, Daniel Chatto, announced their news to members of the Royal Family at Windsor.

Star trek

The British explorer David Hempleman-Adams is to attempt the first televised walk to the mag-netic North Pole. His 17strong team will set out from Resolute Bay in uorthwest Canada next week, dragging 300kg (660lb) of TV and satellite transmission equipment on a specially insulated sledge.

Rickshaws roll

Britain's first rickshaw service started yesterday in Oxford with university students pedalling passen-gers on half-hour tours of the city. Twenty-five twoseater 21-gear rickshaws have been imported from India to use for the \$8 trips around the main historic sites. A similar service is planned for Cambridge later this year.

Labour described the Tory dossier as outrageous

outside world," he wrote.

The Archbishop of Canter-

bury, Dr George Carey, was

reported to be aware of Mr

Blair's remarks but declined

to comment. But the archdea-

con sprang to Mr Blair's defence Mr Austin said: "I

welcome Tony Blair's com-

ments. He wasn't saying that

you couldn't be a Tory and a

Christian. He was arguing

that Christianity had swayed

him against the extreme right

who are having a go at Blair today may be feeling guilty about the way they have handled the Scott Report and

the BSE crisis. They have

acted in a way that has made

me wonder if I can trust them.

With them, it seems morality

comes second. I tend to vote

against parties in elections

and the Conservatives have

Mr Blair's words were

bound to upset Tories already

concerned by statistics appar-

ently confirming Labour's

claim to the middle class

mantle. Labour's figures

showed the party could now

claim more young profession-

als and managers among its

members than the Tories; 57

per cent of Labour members

are in households earning

£20,000 or more, and 30 per cent £30,000 or above. About

45 per cent of Tory members

earn £20,000 or more and 25

chief whip, defended Mr

Blair's commitment "which

we all know and admire and

he goes out of his way from the

beginning to say that he is not

arguing that Christians

should only vote Labour".

Donald Dewar, Labour's

per cent £30,000 or more.

swayed me against them."

"I think that the Tory MPs

wing and Marxism.

Shadow Cabinet's alleged "un-American activities". It says that four of them

were members of a group called the

**Austin counters** 

Tory attacks on

Blair's beliefs

Austin: hit at handling of Scott report and BSE

vative party chairman, said:

"In terms of my Christian

faith I start with Jesus and the

Great Commandment, which

is to love the God of the good

with all your heart, your soul.

your mind and your strength.

and to love others as yourself.

That commandment tran-

scends party politics and I

would be very cautious about

any politician who sought to

claim that his or her political

party was the exclusive vehicle

Mr Blair, writing in The Sunday Telegraph, said his view of Christian values led

him to oppose the narrow view

of self-interest that Conserva-

tism. particularly its modern.

more right-wing form, repre-sented. He insisted he was not

pretending to be any better or

less selfish than anyone else, or saying that Christians

"The key point is that Chris-

tianity is more than a one-to-

could only vote Labour.

for Christian action."

as Mr Blair prepares to leave on his "Blair's Un-American activines" inevitably evoked memories of the

tacked the "disgraceful smear" against Mr Blair, alleging that it would further

I'll vote Labour at General Election, says Archdeacon

Blair: Christianity was more than a relationship with God, it also had to be with the outside world

Party is not trying to take over the Christian church, it would be ludicrous to say the least, but Tony has a strong religious position and moral views that have shaped his polines. But he does go on to make some points about selfinterest and community which seem to me to be perfectly legitimate."

The Rev Andrew MacLellan, Convenor of the Church of Scotland, said he welcomed the fact politicians recognised politics was more than just economics, tax cuts and the pound in your pocket. On the same programme he said: Politics is about learning to be a society and a community together. Learning about being a society together is a secular way of speaking about loving your neighbour."

Ann Widdecombe, a Home Office minister, said: "[Mr Blair portrays Pontius Pilate

and expediency. The Labour Party has consistently chosen expediency and I don't think Tony Blair is the best person to lecture us on religious

> for Spelthorne, who is Convenor of the Methodist Fellowship at the Commons, said no politician "should try to argue Christianity as justification for their ideology". He was of-fended by Mr Blair's remarks, which were "deeply hurtful" to many Christians. Dame Jill Knight, a mem-

David Wilshire, Tory MP

ber of the Tory 1922 committee executive, said: "It has always seemed to me that when politicians feel they must claim Christian principles as a reason why people should vote for them, which is precisely what Mr Blair is doing, they have abandoned mural thought themselves.

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### one relationship between the He told GMTV's Sundoy individual and God, impor- Programme: "The Labour Easter message of hope is not just for the church-goers says Carey BY MICHAEL HORSNELL

THE message of eternal hope inspired by the Resurrection was for all people and not just the committed church-goer, the Archbishop of Canterbury said yesterday in his Easter

It was the bedrock on which Christianity rested, Dr George Carey said at Canterbury Cathedral. Referring to a survey which showed that half the people of Britain believed in the Resurrection while only 34 per cent did uot, he went on: "Those who thought our society was overrun by secularism and scepticism will be in for a surprise.

"It shows the deep deposits of belief beneath the surface. And there can be no doubt of the goodness and generosity of so many people, whether church-goers or not. We must avoid the trap of becoming fixated on evil."

There was a drift from explicit Christian values and hope, but Easter said that if we tried to live without God we would be powerless and constantly defeated by the chains of our sins, by the fickleness of our nature and

A congregation shaken by a sex scandal last year relaunched their services yesterday at a chapel in Sheffield's east end. Worshippers were drawn from remnants of the Nine O'Clock Service, broken up after women complained of being sexually assaulted by the leader, Chris Brain. Yesterday's "quiet meditative service" was conducted by

the Archdeacon of Sheffied, the Venerable Stephen Lowe. A Diocesau spokesman said the rock-style service could be re-introduced. "The scandal was about Chris Brain and uot about reaching nut to a generation lost in the church."

the weakness of our will Christianity at its best is never comfortable, but if we open our bearts to the Resurrection message, we too shall find ourselves surprised by joy." he said, referring to C.S.Lewis's book Surprised by Joy, in which the writer told how he suddenly became convinced of the reality of

The Archbishop told Sir David Frost in the ITV programme The Easter Enigma that there was a bodily resurrection: "It wasn't a ghost, it wasn't an apparition, it wasn't merely appearances but there was a bodily resurrection. I believe it was bodily, but something happened to that body which made it quite

extraordinary, which is al-

most a pattern of the resurrection body that we will all one

day enjoy."
Asked if this was saying that in the eternal sense there could be a happy ending, he said: "Oh yes, definitely, definitely. When we look at this world in which we live, the Easter faith is a wonderful

radiant message of hope."

The Archbishop said that those who had suffered in the Dunblane atrocity last month would be fortified by the certainty that they would see their loved ones again. His message of hope was

extended to those who suffered as a result of atrocities such as those at Dunblane and Srebrenica. Dr Carey "God has created a world in which He has given

to use creatively. That is a reality of the world. But it doesn't mean to say that He has abandoned the world. He's there. He's not an

absentee landlord, He's with us, and He expects us to take responsibility for our actions. When we think about those atrocities and the human tragedies that happen to each one of us, we know that we are going to see our loved ones again."

In his first Easter Day sermon in York Minster, Dr

David Hope, the Archbishop of York, said the bravery and courage shown by the people of Dunblane offered hope for the world. Despite the suffering felt by the whole community of the Scottish town, the courage of the headmaster and his staff and the emergency services gave cause for

Dr Hope singled out the bravery of one boy for particu-lar praise. The little boy, still wounded and bandaged on the occasion of the Queen's visil to the hospital, who broke ranks and cut through the formalities and the

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PRAYERS were said in Serbian Orthodox churches across

Britain yesterday for the Second World War veteran

Stevan Popovic, who survived bantes against Hitler and Tito

only to die at the hands of a

mugger in the country where he believed he had found

Mr Popovic, 74, was a leading figure in the Brirish Serb community. He had led a

group of Chemik guerrillas against the Nazis and against

Tito's Communists in a biner

civil war. When Tito tri-umphed Mr Popovic fled to

England, homeless and with

Dragica Popovic with her son, Milan, yesterday and with her husband soon after coming to Britain

sanctuary.

for war veteran

killed by mugger

By PAUL WILKINSON

only II to his name. On

lived in Oldham, Greater

Manchester. He was in Leeds

to collect a friend for a reunion

of the Serbian Chetnik Associ-

ation in Leicester, of which he

was vice-president. Shortly

after 8am he stopped to ask an

Afro-Caribbean man in his late teens nr early 20s the way to the hotel where his friend

was waiting.

The youth abused him.

pulled him from his Lada

saloon, banered him to the ground and kicked him, breaking several of his ribs. He tore nff Mr Popovic's jacker

to steal his wallet, which

contained £50, and pulled his

watch and wedding ring from his hand. Despite his injuries,

Mr Popovic tried to grab the

steering wheel as the anacker

drove off in the Lada. He

clung on for a short distance

Mr Popovic had emergency

surgery at St James's Univer-

sity Hospital in Leeds, but the

stress of the incident induced a

fatal heart attack. Detective

Superintendent Andrew

Brown, of West Yorkshire,

said the incident was being

Mr Popovic had many rela-

tives in the former Yugoslavia. His sister was killed last year

in their home town of Knin,

which is now part of Croatia.

Mrs Popovic said: It makes it

difficult that, with all the

trouble there, he should die like this. Had it been from

natural causes. I might have

accepted it, but to die just for

changed since we came here. I

remember you could leave a purse full of money and some-

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"He was a harmless old man who was looking forward

to his day out with his friends. He was so looking forward to

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Mr Popovic was a graduate

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Saturday the man who spent

his later years helping refu-

gees from the latest war in the

former Yugoslavia died short-

ly after being beaten and robbed by a youth whom he had asked for directions in

Yesterday his widow, Yesterday his widow, Dragica, 65, said: "I still cannot believe it has hap-

pened. I keep asking myself

why. Stevan loved the people

here, he trusted people. We were so happy here and we

had so many English friends."

Mr Popovic, known as Pop, was a retired bus driver who

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had her right breast removed and delayed taking powerful anti-cancer drugs until after giving birth to Charlie, six months after the disease was detected.

The baby was born three recks ago, weighing 7lb 130z, and Mrs Short finally started a coorse of tamoxifen to combat the malignant cells. Mrs Short and her husband Kevin, 30, have now been told that their life-or-death gam-



Sonya Short, who has beaten cancer, with Charlie

up. The couple, who also have Short, who nurses terminally two-year-old daughter. Molly, had no doubts about protecting Charlie while he

was in the womb. Mrs Short underwent a mastectomy last September, and had to wait until Charlie was born before she could continue her treatment. Mrs

ill patients at a hospice, had been told her pregnancy would make it easier for the cancer eells to enter her

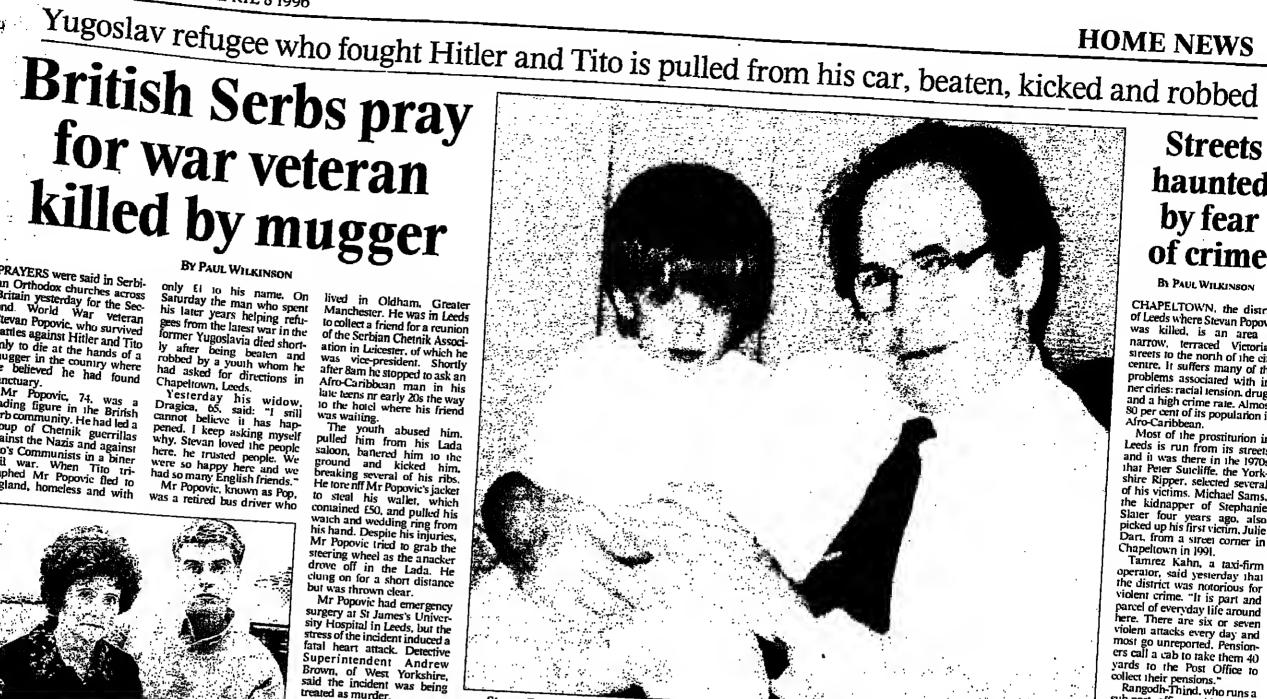
bloodstream. After Mrs Short had a bone and liver scan, a cancerspecialist nurse from the Royal Victoria Infirmary in

Newcastle upoo Tyne tele-phoned last week to tell her she was free of the disease. Cuddling Charlie, Mrs Short said: I'm esstatic — I've been given the all-clear and I've got a lovely baby boy. I've been given my life back.
I'm only just beginning to realise what it really means. "Up until now we've lived week by week and not dared

that I might not be around to see Molly and Charlie start school. Now there's oo reason why I shouldn't.

"I have no regrets. I don't think I could have lived with myself if I'd had an abortioo so I coold have the treatment."

for five years to ensure the cancer does not return. "[7] never take my life for granted again," she said.



Stevan Popovic with his granddaughter, Catherine. He became a bus driver after arriving in Britain in 1948

met his wife in a refugee camp in Germany in 1948 and came to England. They married in 1953 and had two sons, Milan, 41, an optical designer in Leicester, and Aleks, 40, a general manager with British

Airways at Heathrow. They have two grandchildren. Jo-seph. 10, and Catherine, 8. Milan Popovic was comfort-

asking someone the way ...
"Society has changed so much. Everything has ing his mother at her home yesterday. He said: "My feelings are just of great shock. This is the last thing I would expect to happen to someone like my father. He was so diplomatic and not the sort to go looking for trouble. He knew the area quite well but was looking for the hotel to meet his friend and may have been distracted. It is shocking that anyone should attack a

man of over 70 in this way. "My father was a Chetnik hero. He fought against Hitler

1941. He was an officer in the Royal Yugoslav Army and disappeared into the hills to fight a guerrilla war against the Ustase Nationalist Party when the Germans took over and disbanded the army. He travelled all over the country and suffered many hardships

and much pain.

For a man like him to live through what he lived through and to be cut down like this is disgusting. He had no enemies, not even among the Communists whom he saw whenever he returned to Yugoslavia. He was a tireless peace campaigner and worked hard to bring understanding of the Serbian cause in Yugoslavia."

Ilija Preocanin, secretary of the Chemik Association, said: He was a very civilised man, even in battle, and a man of versity in Split. He when the Nazis invaded in whenever possible the protection me very useful advice about baseball cap.

tion of civilians. He was very much respected and I knew him as a very intelligent, caring and meek fellow,"

The congregation at the Serbian Orthodox church in Bradford, where Mr Popovic worshipped, were among those who prayed for him yesterday. The priest. Father Zarko Nedic, had been helped by Mr Popovic when he arrived in Britain II years ago. He said: "He had a British pass-port when he died, but he was a Serbian in his heart. He was a proud man who had fought the Communists and then fled across Italy and Germany to come to Britain. When he arrived, he had just a pound in his pocket, but he built up a good life and a good family.

You could not wish to meet a nicer man.

life here. He was a very close friend and a good parishioner. I can say only good things about him, he was so kind, big

and open-hearted." Detective Superintendent Brown said: "We need to catch the killer quickly. Although Mr Popovic had a history of illness, he would still be alive now if it was not for the attack upon him. He was probably too old for what he tried to do. but he has got to be admired for his brave actions. He was an unfortunate hero. Sadly, he was in the wrong place at the wrong time."

The attacker is described as tall and stocky. His head was shaved at the sides and back in what is known as a "pineap-" cut. He was wearing a dark leather jacket and a green shirt. He could have ed here with been accompanied by another

### **Streets** haunted by fear of crime

By PAUL WILKINSON

CHAPELTOWN, the district of Leeds where Stevan Popovic was killed, is an area of narrow, terraced Victorian streets to the north of the city centre. It suffers many of the problems associated with inner ciries: racial tension, drugs and a high crime rate. Almost 80 per cent of its population is Afro-Caribbean.

Most of the prostitution in Leeds is run from its streets and it was there in the 1970s that Peter Suicliffe, the Yorkshire Ripper, selected several of his victims. Michael Sams, the kidnapper of Stephanie Slater four years ago, also picked up his first victim, Julie Dart, from a street corner in Chapeltown in 1991.

Tamrez Kahn, a taxi-firm operator, said yesterday that the district was notorious for violent crime. "It is part and parcel of everyday life around here. There are six or seven violent attacks every day and most go unreported. Pension-ers call a cab to take them 40 yards to the Post Office to collect their pensions."

Rangodh-Thind, who runs a sub-post office, said: There are muggings and bearings in Chapelrown on a daily basis. Everyone is scared."

West Yorkshire Police say the situation in Chapeltown is not as bad as in parts of other British cides, but last year criminals felt bold enough to continue a gunfight over territory at the entrance of the emergency unit at the neighbouring St James's University Hospital, where one young man was shot.

Derek Fatchett, Labour MP for Leeds Central, said: "It is a dangerous precedent to set a pattern from one isolated incident. My view is that you cannot see the whole of

Chapeltown in these terms." The Prince of Wales recently visited the Chapeltown and Harehills Assisted Learning Computer School, set up by parents concerned by the poor academic standards of many Afro-Caribbean children. The trailery funded project has been responsible for a signifiyouth wearing a blue Yankees cant improvement in their

#### Police fear twins were murdered

By STEWART TENDLER

IDENTICAL twins whose bodies were pulled from a north London canal within yards of each other were yesterday at the centre of a murder investigation. One brother had been beaten to death and wrapped in a blanket. The other died from

unknown causes. As divers searched the Regent's Canal yesterday for clues to the deaths of Christopher and Anthony Langford, 38, police were waiting to confirm whether they were dealing with a family row or a

double murder. The investigation began on March 26 when the body of Christopher Langford was found in the canal. Last Wednesday the body of Anthony was dragged from the same canal. It had been in the water

for some days. The two brothers came originally from Bedford and lived in hostels in the Islington area. Both had minor convictions for public order and drinking

## Royal Family to rescue as horses stampede

BY STEPHEN FARRELL

THE Royal Family joined a five-hour alert with police and the Household Cavalry when 75 ponies stampeded from a late-night fire at the Guards Polo Club stables in Windsor Great Park.

The Duke and Duchess of York left their former matrimonial home at nearby Sunninghill Park to give first aid to a woman who suffered cuts when one of 30 terrified animals that ran through the town centre was fatally injured colliding with a car. They then helped to capture horses in Windsor Great Park.

The Queen, the Duke of Edinburgh and Prince of Wales left Windsor Castle itself hit by fire in 1992 - to help to calm the horses late on Saturday night. A spokesman said they had gone to satisfy themselves the situation was

One officer in Windsor, Sergeant Andrew Morrow, said: "I was on King's Road and it was like the Grand National. There were more

The blaze had started on Saturday night in a hay barn at the polo club, where the Duke of Edinburgh and Prince of Wales are members. The head groom and his staff decided to release the ponies some worth up to £20,000 — fearing they would be trapped by the smoke and flames.

The animals fled in darkness, to be hunted eventually by 100 police RSPCA inspectors, local Horse Watch members, AA patrols and one officer and five men from the Household Cavalry Regiment at Combermere Barracks. Two police helicopters with thermal-imaging cameras were called out. Several police cars were damaged by fleeing horses and roads had to be

sealed off to prevent accidents. Many of the horses were found grazing safely in fields and gardens miles from the scene. Three people received hospital treatment for minor injuries. Among them was Jo Hughes, 18, who had been

than 30 horses charging up helped by the Yorks while she the road in complete awaited an ambulance. She was a passenger in a Ford Orion when two horses collided with the side of the car and a third tried to climb over the roof. She said: "It was horrific. They just ran straight at us. You could smell the horses in

Prince Andrew bandaged Ms Hughes's bleeding hand in his Range Rover. Ms Hughes, from Crowthorne Berkshire, and her boyfriend were taken to hospital but later released.

The RSPCA said the pony was fatally injured and had to be put down. It belonged to Rick Stowe, a member of the Australian polo team. None of the other animals suffered

serious injuries. The Polo club's chairman. Major General Bernard Gordon Lennox, praised his staff. They had to get the horses out, they were so frightened. They tried to lead one or two to safety but suddenly they had to let them all go," he said. The cause of the blaze was being investigated last night.

## Mother who delayed cure in clear

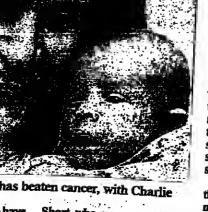
BY A STAFF REPORTER

A WOMAN who risked death by turning down chemotherapy to let her unborn child live has been told she is

clear of cancer. Sonya Short, 29, a nurse from Blaydon, Tyne and Wear, decided against the treatment to cure a breast tumour 12 weeks into her pregnancy because she knew it would kill her baby. She

ble has succeeded.

The lump had been found during an ante-natal check-



continue taking tamoxifen

proud of Sonya."

think too much about the future. One of my worries was

Mrs Short will have to

Mr Short said: "I'm so



## Blunkett returns to woo teachers with school repairs plan

**EDUCATION EDITOR** 

DAVID BLUNKETT made a triumphant return to the annual conference of the Nat-unal Union of Teachers yesterday. A year after he was barracked by militants. he promised a new deal between Labour and the banks to repair "crumbling" schools.

At last year's conference, in Blackpool, the Shadow Educarion Secretary had to take refuge after being pursued by angry hard-left teachers. Yesterday his speech won loud applause from delegates.

Mr Blunkett's reception contrasted with the tension when Gillian Shephard addressed the conference in Cardiff on Saturday. The speech of the Education and Employment Secretary was punctualed by muted heckling and laughier as she defended the Government's record.

In one of his most assured performances as education spokesman. Mr Blunkett reaf-

Parents should lose the right to withdraw their children from lessons about Aids and HIV, delegates argued. The conference narrowly rejected appeals from the executive to drop the motion, which calls for gay and lesbian groups to be established in every area and pledges support for teachers who "come out". Delegates want the union to hold an annual lesbian and gay teachers' conference with confidential enrolment.

firmed his party's intention to scrap nursery vouchers and halt any plans to increase selective schooling. But he used the speech to outline an innovative scheme to tackle the backlog of school repairs.

Groups of schools would negotiate repair and maintenance programmes with a consortium of banks and other private firms which would

ponsibility for the work. Money currently devoted to maintenance would be handed over would make a profit from the resulting efficiency savings in contracts of up to 20 years.

Mr Blunkett claimed that this would enable hundreds of millions of pounds to go into school premises each year without increasing public-sec-tor borrowing. "By pooling resources and working in partnership, we can ensure that sound advice is available, bureaucracy is minimised and private lenders are sufficiently confident to take part."

The scheme differs from the Government's Private Finance Initiative because groups of schools or whole education authorities would be involved. rather than single institutions. Mr Blunkett said the banks considered lending to individual schools a "non-starter".

The deterioration of many school buildings has been one of the main issues at this



year's teaching union confer-ences. The NUT is threatening walkouts in many schools next term if a national audit of premises finds buildings to be unsale. An emergency motion at the conference condemned the Government's measures to

deregulate school premises. Labour has developed the scheme in discussions with Hambros Bank and is enter-

ing talks with the British

Bankers' Association. The £3.2 billion backlog of repairs identified by a recent survey could be cleared in a "reasonable period of time", Mr Blunkett said. Labour could not promise instant improvements but would commit itself to a decade of

investment in education. Doug McAvoy, the general

secretary of the NUT, welcomed the plan but said Labour had to be prepared to carry out the repair prodid not work. If necessary, this

Graham Lane, who chairs the Association of Metropoli-tan Authorities' education committee, said local authorities would be thrilled by the scheme. "It is a rare example of imaginative thinking to solve a serious problem and I am convinced it would work." ☐ More than 600 schools still have outside lavatories and 750,000 children are taught in

should extend to raising taxes. temporary classrooms, according to the latest survey of school premises. A report by the two main local government associations found that

schools were suffering an "ap-

palling level of neglect". spending has long been recognised, but restraints on public expenditure have frustrated education ministers' plans. The local authorities' report said the amount they had been allowed to spend on capital projects had been cut by 22 per

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## Rosetta flies a million miles to seek comet's heart of stone

SMALL craft are to attempt to land on an orbiting comet as part of a unique space mission Experiments will be carried out on samples taken from Wiraten's comet by a tiny landing craft's robot arm and the results relayed to Earth.

At the end of the mission, with Wiraten's comet approaching the sun, the mother ship will move to 50,000 km behind the comet's tail. From there it will fly slowly into the dust and solar wind exuding from the comet, taking measurements and eventually crashing into Wiraten's nuten years after

launch. Details of the mission, which will rendezvous with Wirtanen's comet early next century, are expected to take centre stage at a meeting of the Royal Astronomical Society in Liverpool this week

Researchers believe that if the project is successful it will shed new light on the origins of the Universe and the planets. The Giotto space probe had a rendezyous with Halley's comet a few years ago but no space craft has landed on a comet. Until recently there were

doubts over whether the experiment would get off the ground after Britain pressed for funding cuts at the European Space Agency. But Peter Bond, space science adviser to the society, said yesterday that the Government's Particle Physics and Astronomy Research Council had found money for the venture. "I think this will be an amazing mission." Mr Bond said. "It will be the

first time we've ever followed a comet for millions of miles, watching how it develops as it gets closer to the sun, and the first time anything bas landed on a The probes will hopeful-

ly soft-land on the nucleus and measure the surface, how hard it is, what it's made of and what gases come out of it." The spacecraft, Rosetta: is named after the Egyptian

town where, in 1799, the Rosetta stone was discovered. It is scheduled to blast off from French Guiana in January 2003. The main landing probe will be a



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Champollion: first to decipher Rosetta stone

45kg craft named Champollion, after Jean-François Champollion, the Frenchman who made the first complete decipherment of the Rosetta stone. British universities and

institutes, including Shef-

field University, the Open

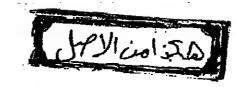
University, Imperial College and the Mullard Space Science Laboratory, will have instruments on board. Rosetta will travel through space for eight years before intercepting the comet 700 million kilometres from earth, near Jupiter's orbit Mission planners will use the voyage to pass two asteroids. 3840 Mimistrobell and 2530 Shipka, 300 and then 2,100

days after launch. On approaching Wirtznen's comet, Rosetta will fire thrusters to slow its approach so that it orbits around the comet's head, or nucleus. Here it will track the comet for about three years, sending data back to

It was hoped that the Rosetta missioo would hring a piece of the comet back to Earth but budget constraints have altered the plans, instead, two small probes will be dropped from the mother craft onto Wiraten's surface.

The Champollion probe has been built by Nasa and CNES, the French space agency. The other, RoLand (or Rosetta Lander), was built by German companies with help from European institutes. cluding the Rutherford Appleton Laboratory.

While Champollion is designed to last a matter of days, RoLand should function for several months.





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A SIXTY-YEAR mystery involving high treason, sexual obsession and a mysierious hlonde is expected to be solved soon with the release of secret Government papers about Norman Baillie-Stewart, the last Brilon to be imprisoned in the Tower of London. A lieutenant in the Seaforth Highlanders, Baillie-Slewart was twice accused of betraying his country, once for selling secrets to the Germans for £90 in 1933 and again after making pro-German broadcasts during the war. In the secrets trial, he claimed that the

> Marie Louise in return for sexual favours. He was sent to the Tower after being described at his court martial as "a pathological case with a fixation for German women".

money was in fact given to

him by a Berlin blonde called

Thirty years after he died in a Dublin bar in June 1966, the Home Office is to release the papers about the "Officer in the Tower", in June or July. Historians hope they will reveal the truth about the identity of Marie Louise and clear up claims by the War Office always denied by Baillie-Stewart - that he had made a full confession.

The papers should also throw light on the farcical circumstances in which Bail-

By NIGEL WILLIAMSON, WHITEHALL CORRESPONDENT mouth, and then at Sandhurst. He won decorations for service on the North-West Frontier and was thought to be a model officer until his arrest at the age of 23.

Mystery of 'Officer in the Tower'

of spy who loved

German women

Details of his love life gripped public interest as Baillie-Stewart claimed at his court martial that money sent from Germany was a gift from a grateful 22-year-old fair-headed woman, Marie Louise, to whom he had made love in a public park in Berlin.

At one point in his trial, the judge was moved to remind the court that Baillie-Stewart was being tried for hreaches of the Official Secrets Act, not immorality.

On his release in 1937, the disgraced Baillie-Stewart went to live in Germany, where he applied for citizenship. His love affair was always with the German nation, and German women in particular, rather than Nazism. He claimed that his activities in helping Jews to escape from Austria earned him the nickname "the Scarlet Yet by 1940 he had begun

the original "Germany call-ing" hroadcasts as the first "Lord Haw-Haw" before William Joyce — who was hanged as a traitor in 1945 — took over the role. Baillie-Stewart was arrested some months after the end of the war in the Austrian Tyrol. He was dressed in traditional local garb of leather shorts, white stockings, embroidered braces and a green forester's jacket. At his second trial he insisted that he had applied for Ger-man nationality in 1938 and could therefore not be charged with aiding the enemy, but the court ruled that no change of

judge told him: "You are one of the worst citizens your country has ever produced." After his release, Baillie-Stewart settled in Dublin where for a time he made a

living selling cheap Wild West stories. Still debonair and full of public school charm, in 1950 he married a beautiful Irish shopgirl half his age. He settled down to a life of commerce and shortly before he died made money designing a ship for the Harland and Towards the end of his life,

Baillie-Stewart claimed that Marie Louise did not exist. Yet over the years, several people claimed to have found her. A Labour MP told the House of Commons in 1933 that she was a Berlin Jewess, Olga Israel, who did not come forward at Baillie-Stewart's trial because she leared the wrath of Hitler. Shortly afterwards, the French secret service claimed to have arrested her on espionage charges in Finland and said that she was, in fact, a Russian. After the Second World War, a British agent claimed to have found her still living in



## Outback vision puts artist in the frame for £36,000

THE Australian Outback has in-spired the painter Sarah Raphael to win Britain's higgest art prize. The 35-year-old daughter of the novelist Frederic Raphael led the all-women group of finalists in the £36,000 NatWest 90s Prize For Art.

Her winning works, combining the figurative and abstract, include a three-piece series titled Sometimes A River, based on her six-week observations of the Outback, and Gibber Desert Constellation, which depicts a stony desert without sky. Raphael, a mother of two, from

Camberwell, southeast London, is best known for her portraiture. She said: "I'm absolutely thrilled to win the prize. You never expect to win things, bol you have nothing to lose by entering competitions. What matlers is that you feel you are getting

better." Her work can be seen in the Fitzwilliam Museum, Cambridge, and the Metropolitan Museum in New York.

The second prize of £10,000 was won by Frances Borden, 25, from Bampion. Devon. Charlotle Sorapure, 27, from Blackheath, south London, and Sarah Florence, 32, from Norwich, shared the £5,000 award for third place. A student

award of £1,000 went to Harriet Barber, 27, from Blandford, Dorset. Two watercolours by the Prince of Wales went oo public display yesterday at the family home of his children's nanny. Tiggy Legge-Bourke. The Prince is one of 80 artists exhibiting at Penmyarth, in Crickhowell, Powys. Neither he nor Miss Legge-Bourke were at the exhibition yesterday.

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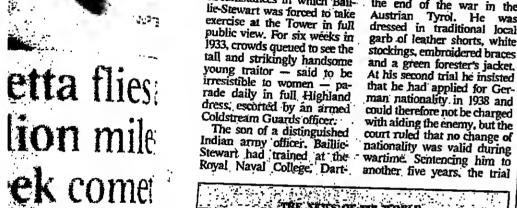
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## Coma victims 'to replace animals in experiments'

MEDICAL experiments could eventually be carried out on patients with severe brain damage instead of animals, according to a professor of medical ethics. David Morton of Birmingham University envisaged the day when people in long-term comas, with no chance of recovery, could be used for research.

There have been recent cases where patients in a persistent vegetative state have recovered after having been diagnosed as beyond help.

Professor Morton, an adviser to the Government on laboratory animal research, said it was feasible that people could carry cards which allowed their organs and body tissue to be used for research as well as donation.

In those cases and where food and water had been withdrawn the medical profession would have to tackle the possibility of experiments beginning while the patient was still alive. "I am not advocating anything. I am reflecting what will come about as a real. practical situation and what may come about in the next

iew years." He said experimentation was already taking place on human volunteers. Very very rarely something goes wrong and these people may die and one might argue therefore it would be better and you would do less harm if you did the work on people who you

and water from rather than healthy human volunteers. So before you pull the plug, rather than cremate them. tissue and blood could be taken."

Such experiments would give more accurate informa-tion than using animals. Professor Morton said.

His vision of the future provoked strong opposition. The Provost of Birmingham, the Very Reverend Peter Berry, said: "We are talking about human beings. Even if they are helpless, they are humans and certainly should not be termed as 'vegetative'."

Ann Rogers, whose son James suffered severe brain damage in a car crash in 1987 and has not spoken or moved since, said the prospect of experiments on living people was "appalling". Doctors have said that James, 27, will never recover. His family refuse to accept their diagnosis.

Mrs Rogers, from Northamptonshire, said: "In the past few months, there have been reports of people diagnosed as being in persistent vegetative states recovering and saying they had been aware of what was going on.
The only people whose

opinions count are the families of those people. There are about 1,000 people in this condition. We will always fight for James's right to live. We can't believe he is a vegetable, unaware of what is going on."







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## Lawyers join scheme to represent hard-up clients

SOME of Britain's leading lawyers are joining a scheme to represent hard-up but worthy clients for nothing. The first case chosen for this treatment is that of a woman who has been ordered to return a ten-year-old Zulu boy living with her family to his natural parents in South African township.

The lawyers for the woman will be Allan Levy, QC, and Maggie Rae, a solicitor with Mishcon De Reya, solicitors to the Princess of Wales. The case forms part of a six-month pilot scheme, called pro bono (for the public good), to be launched formally by the Bar Council next

The Court of Appeal ordered last month that the Zulu boy, who cannot be identified, must return to South Africa four years after the white woman, who now lives in Maida Vale, west London, brought him to England for adoption. Lord Justice Neill rejected the idea of adoption and noted that the boy. known only as P, had lost his ability to speak Zulu and that his links with his homeland were growing more

Mr Levy succeeded last week in obtaining a stay of the order until persuade the House of Lords to grant a hearing before then.

The Bar already runs a Free Representation Unit, in which Bar students take on tribunal cases for nothing. Individual chambers, specialist Bar groups, regional circuits of barristers and City solicitors have all launched free schemes, but this is the first to be run at Bar Council level.

It will draw upon top lawyers who are used to high earnings. Normally a partner in a City solicitors' practice would charge £200 an hour and a Queen's Counsel working on a court hearing could be on a brief depending on the complexity of the case plus a daily top-up fee of

The scheme, which is not intended to be a substitute for legal aid, will have a full-time administrator and will operate from rooms in Gray's Inn. About £20,000 has been raised by the profession to launch the scheme, which will qualify for charitable status.

Other top barristers who have signalled their support include Peter Goldsmith, QC, a former Bar chairman and reputedly one of the highest earners at the commercial Bar. He said: "I believe there is a strong moral argument that those lawyers who can afford to commit their time should be prepared to provide some pro bono work."

A management committee will be set up to sift applications for support and to establish ground rules for the kind of cases that will qualify.

Mr Goldsmith was responsible for contacting Mr Levy to take on the case of the Zulu boy after another solicitor, Beverley Golden, highlighted his plight in a Sunday newspaper. She said she was delighted that the lawyers were to seek leave to appeal. After the Court of Appeal hearing, at which it was ordered that the boy should have no

contact with the white family for one year, lawyers advised that there was no chance of an appeal.

Mr Goldsmith added: "Legal aid must still be the principal means of providing legal services to those who cannot afford to pay. Receot cuts in eligibility have seen hundreds of thousands drop out of the

legal-aid safety net.

A small profession like the Bar could never plug that gap, but what it can do is to tackle specific and acute instances of potential injustice by offering its services for the public

### Rabies law traps sad dogs and Englishmen who went out for new life in the sun

## Pet subject of the ex-pats threatens to cost Tory seats

FROM BILL FROST IN ANTIBES

AN estimated 100,000 British expatriates on the Côte d'Azur are united as never before in a campaign which should worry John Major. The lotus eaters who renred to the sun are usually Tory postal voters, but they say the Prime Minister will suffer at the next election for condemning their pets to permanent exile or death in ouarantine.

They are determined to overturn or flout British antirabies laws which prevent them bringing their animals home for short visits. The average £1.500 cost of the required six-month quarantine is attacked as prohibinive. and at least ten animals are said to die behind the wire

every four weeks. The case of Quintus and Bendeux is typical. Despite their pampered Mediterranean lifestyle, the two pedigree Australian terriers (bred in Worcester, formative years spent in Chelseal are really missing England, ac-

cording to their owners. But Brirish law says that they and an estimated 200,000 four-legged British exiles in the South of France might be rabid. It's the hottest issue in a once steadfastly Tory ex-pat community now threatening

Michael and Judy Sabey brought Quintus and Bendeux from Chelsea to a palatial home in an exclusive corner of Saint Laurent du Var outside

#### LOVE ME, LOVE MY BEST FRIEND

MORE than 40 per cent of dog owners would rather spend a weekend with their pet than with their partners or friends, according to a survey.

As they grow older, humans become even more passionate about their dogs: almost 60 per cent of dog-owning pensioners said they loved their pets more than their partners. Al any age. almost half of women owners pul their dog before the men in their life.

The survey of 2,000 adults, carried out for a dog-food maoufacturer. showed that nine out of ten of those questioned felt that dogs had a much happier existence than their owners. Dogs take priority al feeding time. too: about 60 per cent said that the family dog was likely to be fed long before



Watson, consultant vet for the company, said: "In nn increasingly stressful world, the family dog is a hlissful constant. Pertinent to the hectic 90s is finding that one in three dog owners believe their dogs help to reduce

Owners said that gaining a dependable friend was the main reason to keep a dog.

Nice five years ago. At first sight, all four give the impression that they have never endured a moment's worry or irritation since leaving

Two minutes' conversation with the couple is enough to shatter the shimmering illusion. They claim that John Major hates animals and they threaten to use their votes to dish him at the next general election. The number of ex-pat votes is enough to make a difference in some constituencies. As the dogs gambol on the grass, their owners telephone Labour and Liberal Democrat politicians in the hope of gaining support for a

None of the British pets out here has rabies. They've all been innoculated," Mrs Sabey said. "Why can't we take our dogs and cats home for holidays like Easter. Christmas or, for that matter, any other time of the year?

"Britain seems to allow some very unsavoury human specimens to come in when my perfect dogs are kept out. And the boys really need a trip to a hairdresser. a British hairdresser." There is no doubting the

strength of feeling among British expatriates over the issue. According to the leners column of *Riviera Reporter*. the English-language magazine for the Cote d'Azur, the "Passports for Pets" campaign has united the ex-pats against the Tories.

There are about 100,000 of us in this position and we are all angry, very angry," says Mr Sabey, who took his wife and "the boys" to the sun after doing rather well in London as a chartered surveyor. "Some have already broken the law



Michael Sabey and his wife Judy with their dogs: "All the Britons out here are obsessive about this subject"

and smuggled their pets home rather than leave them pining in quarantine. It's quite easy if you know how."

The Sabeys and their numerous allies in the South of France point to the House of Commons all-party agriculture select committee report of October 1994 which unanimously recommended a review of the existing law. The committee said that dogs and cats should be positively identified by microchip or tanoo: have spent at least six months in an approved country before coming to Britain: be vacci-

nated from the age of three

months-against rabies and be blood-tested by an approved laboratory to ensure the shots conferred immunity.

Quintus and Bendeux qualify on every count. So too do the majority of British-owned pers on the Cote d'Azur, say the Sabeys and their army of friends.

The ex-pats have powerful allies at home to lobby for them. The great and the good peers, vets and millionaire dog-lovers - have all added their support to the "Passports For Pets" campaign.

However, the Government shelved the committee's report. "Major's unwillingness to listen to reason condemns thousands of pets to death and stress-related filness while in quarantine when their owners take them home for good, said Mrs Sabey.

Her husband added: "All the Britons out here are obsessive about this subject, and with very good reason too. It's absolutely scandalous. Brinsh laws on rabies were made in the 1920s before a vaccine was available."

Mrs Sabey seethes with rage that her "boys" are condemned to quarantine or exile. "I am sure that John

Major is not a dog man, if anything I would imagine he is a budgie fancier. But he should realise that there was once a staunch block of Tory voters out here who would now vote New Labour or even Socialist Workers' Party if they backed a change in the quarantine law.

This is not just an offence against dogs, it is also a breach of our human rights. We made that point in a 2.000signature petinon i presented at 10 Downing Street.

"Major never even bothered to reply - just a deafening silence. How bloody rude."

### MEWS IN BRIES

### Man in care starved to death

roop

A pensioner who was visited three times n day, seven days n week by social workers who helped to prepare his meals starved to death in his war-den-controlled flat.

Lloyd Wilkinson, 79, a bomb-disposal expert in the Second World War, was foond dead in bed at his home in Bedford the day after his last visit.

The cause of death was given as starvation at an inquest opened and adjourned by Bedfordshire coroner David Morris. An internal inquiry has been started by Bedfordshire Social Services.

#### Union ballot tied

A ballot over industrial action among members of the Communication Workers Union in the South West ended in an 862-all draw. It is the first known case of a dead heat in a big ballot in the history of movement.

#### Cost of dying up

Foneral costs bave risen by 38 per cent to an average of £1,523 over the past three years, almost six times the inflation rate. Burials in the South East cost 22 per cent more than average and half as much again as the South West, the cheapest region.

#### Hilton evacuated

Five hundred guests and staff were evacuated from the Hilton hotel in Park Lanc. central London, after a fire in a guest bedroom. The fire proke out in a suite on the 22nd floor, causing smoke damage to adjoining rooms. There were no injuries.

#### Spy base for sale

The American surveillance base at Brawdry, Dyfed, is being pul up for sale by its owner, the Ministry of Defence. The seven-acre site, surrounded by security fencing and watchtowers, was used by the Americans for more than 20 years.

#### Called to account

BBC managers are being sent on two-day training breaks at holels to learn how to use a new telephone syslem. But the corporation claims the exercise saves liil avoids paying the phone company to run the system.

#### Five strike lucky

Five ticket holders share this week's National Lottery rollover jackpol of £21.2 million. each winning £4.2 million. A further 40 winners receive £84,210 each for matching five nombers plus the bonus

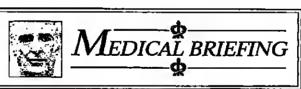
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## Magic pill for flagging sex life some years off

reaction from middle-aged or older men when offered a penile injection to restore a sex-life that has withered for want of an erection.

The hope that a pill will become available for these male patients has been boosted by reports that the longawaited results of a British trial of a drug, sildenafil. made by Pfizer, is to be presented at the meeting of the American Urological Associarion next month, it will still be some years before the pill is generally available. Neither an injection of

Caverject, the best available treatment at the moment for treatable impotence, nor presumably a dose of sildenafil



#### Dr Thomas Stuttaford

petule mechanics have irretrievably broken down, either because of failure of the blood supply -- the coronary arteries are not the only ones to become furred with advancing years — or because of leaking valves in the corpora cavernosa, the cylinders in the penis which become engorged with blood during sexual excite-

ment. The Pfizer trial of sildenafil has been taking place for some years but occasionally word slips out from a clinic in Kent or Sussex of its apparent success and the consequent optimism of both

the doctors and their patients. The drug is taken about an hour before intercourse is expected to take place and enhances only the effect of

sexual excitement. If the evening does not follow the expected panern and a forgotten meeting with the parochial church council is remembered, there is no embarrassment from visual evidence of a frustrated desire.

Caverject — prostaglandin E — which relaxes the smooth muscles within the corpora cavernosa, is made by Upjohn. The injection is given into the corpora cavernosa through a very fine needle held at right-angles.

Parients assure me that it is virtually painless but produces a response that recalls memories of their youth. Unlike the erections produced by earlier intrapenile injections, those produced by Caverject usually wear off within an hour and problems from priapism, a persistent erection lasting for more than four hours, are exceptionally rare.

Other methods of delivering prostaglandin E have been tried; there was success in using it as a cream designed to be squeezed into the uretlira, but despite an encouraging hospital trial there are no plans to market it commercially.

Another pharmaceutical firm is well advanced in its plans to introduce a cream containing a vasodilator drug that will improve the penile blood supply when it is app-lied externally to the skin. Initial results from the use of this cream have been good and it is expected that it will go



## At a Service Near You

Ruth Gledhill, religious affairs correspondent worship for the series in Weekend, At your service, and this book is a collection of 63 of those engaging articles. Not quite the ecclesiastical equivalent of

The Good Pub Guide, but Gledhill does assess the quality of the leadership, architecture, sermon, music, liturgy, afterservice care and spiritual high at the churches she visits. She describes the atmosphere, the sort of

people who attend, the style of the worship,

the quality of preaching and anything that particularly strikes her, even the coffee. As the daughter of an Anglican clergyman, Gledhill has been attending church regularly since childhood and the experience of visiting so many has had an

impact on her own faith.
"It began the series as a churchgoing Anglican with fairly traditionalist views." she says. "The experience has made me more liberal in belief and more open to

evangelical styles of worship, in particular of The Times, visited nearly 200 places of the joy and movement that comes with some of the best spiritual songs."

Ruth believes churches are more than places of worship. They are also community centres in a world where neighbourhood communities are vanishing. They provide an oasis of peace in a noisy environment. The best churches preach faith as the foundation for true healing and happiness and impart to her the sense of God's presence.

At a Service Near You makes enjoyable. reading. Anyone who wants to find out about a church in an area they are visiting. or simply curious about local churches, will find it extremely helpful.

Readers can get a copy of At a Service Near You: British Churches - The Good. the Bad and the Ugly for only £6.49 (normal price £7.99) including postage and packing and with an inserted book plate signed by the author.



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## Hepatitis fear prompts call for patients to use own blood

By Dominic Kennedy, social affairs correspondent ries, which serves several major private London hospitals,

THE discovery of a new strain of heparios led to a call yesterday for patients to use their own blood in transfusions. Hepatitis G is the latest virus to be identified in human beings and is probably carried by more than 800,000 people in the United Kingdom.

Lesley Kay, a leading con-sultant haematologist, said new diseases were always being found which required extra screening of blood samples, and suggested that padents have their own blood removed and stored before operations if only a little was required.

"I am a big advocate of

having your own blood

because we are forever chas-

ing the next virus," Dr Kay, of

"What is the next danger from blood? We had HIV-t then we discovered there was

a variant, HIV-2. We had Henarins C then we realised there was a variant, Hepatitis sexual freedom and drug abuse we are going to get more of these viruses. Blood in Britain is already

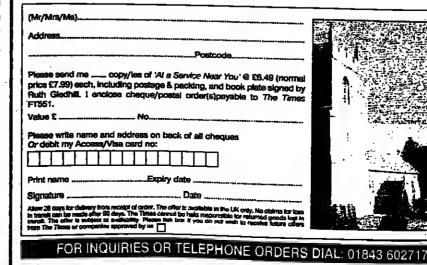
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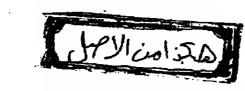
Earty studies of Hepatitis G suggest it is carried by at least 1.5 per cent of blood donors. It screened for syphilis, Hepatios B and C and two types of

more stringent tests for Hepatitis B and also look for HTLVi, a virus that can lead to cancer. Hepatiris G has been identified in the past year and there are already calls for screening. Already some parts

North of England, are using surgery techniques in which the results of bleeding can be returned to the parient. In some surgery, such as knee replacements, bleeding hap-pens when the tourniquet is

appears to be related to Hepatitis C. which is associated with a spectrum of liver problems including cancer. The affects of the new virus are still unknown but, since it seems more widespread than C, it probably is less dangerous. Scientisis suspect that it has been in the human population for thousands of years but is only now being recognised.





# Troops in South Korea placed on high alert

DIPLOMATIC EDITOR

AMERICAN troops in South Korea were put on high alert at the weekend, as a third incursion of North Korean soldiers into the demilitarised zone yesterday raised tensions in the divided peninsula. About 300 heavily armed

soldiers entered the joint security area at the Panmunjom border crossing in 12 lorries. They began to leave more than two hours later. The violation of the armistice, which ended the Korean War in 1953, came after two incursions on Friday and Saturday. After the first, President Kim Young Sam of South Korea ordered "height-ened, iron-tight" defence. Under the armistice only 35 military police from each side may enter the 212-mile-wide demilitarised zone.

Each incursion was larger than the last, taking place in the evening and lasting about two hours. On Saturday, soldiers carrying rifles and machineguns entered the buffer zone in nine lorries, but did no more than demonstrate their defiance. On Friday, 120



North Korean soldiers stayed in the area for two hours.

South Korea announced a state of emergency around the joint security area, and some units were ordered to "prepare to deal with a possible emergency". They are on the high-est alert in 15 years. President Kim called the first incursion a dangerous escalation of Pyongyang's provocations, while a North Korean newspaper accused the South of preparing an invasion and said the peninsula was on "the eve of war". The paper said North Korea would be forced

to take a counter-measure.

United Nations forces along

immediate threat from the North. The United States, which has 37,000 troops in South Korea, announced increased surveillance after the first incursion, but otherwise responded in a low-key manner. A statement from the UN Command and the South Korea-US Combined Forces Command said yesterday that they were "concerned" by the latest events. However, it added: "The combined and allied leadership see no other evidence of movement of troops

or other military that would

suggest any imminent threat."

James Laney, the American Ambassador to Seoul, met Gong Ro Myung, the Foreign Minister, and they confirmed that they would maintain a "strong defence readiness" against the North. The State Department said that, although the incursions violated truces, they appeared to reflect North Korea's anempt to distance itself from the Korean War armistice and to deal directly with Washington.

North Korea has taken an increasingly aggressive line towards the South. In 1994 it armistice commission that oversees the truce and banned UN monitors from entering its territory at the Panmunjom crossing. It has demanded a bilateral peace agreement with Washington.

President Clinton is due to visit South Korea next week on his way to Japan.

North Korea has a million men under arms compared with 650,000 South Korean Iroops. The North's Chinese and Soviet-era weapons are outdated, however, and strategists say they would be no match for the better-equipped South Korean army.

American officials suggest

that the latest incidents are intended to increase diplomatic leverage rather than serve as a prelude to a frontal attack across the armistice line.

The timing appears to be linked to South Korea's parliamentary elections on Thursday. President Kim's New Korea Party is expected to lose its absolute majority in the national assembly, but the North's sabre-rattling may rally voters in the South around the Government.



South Koreans look through telescopes across the demilitarised zone yesterday

### Kashmir hostages 'held in village'

FROM CHRISTOPHER THOMAS IN SRINAGAR

INDIAN troops have pulled out of the Wadwan Hills in southeast Kashmir after idenrifying the area where they believe four Western hostages. including two Britons, are being held by Muslim extrem-

ists in a village hut.

The army said it feared an accidental confrontation between the militants and troops which could endanger the captives' lives. According to military intelligence, based on sightings by local people, all four men are alive.

Scotland Yard trained in hostage negotiation, are in India in the hope of finding a breakthrough. Paul Wells and Keith Mangan from Britain, Donald Hutchings of America, and Dirk Hasert, a German, have entered their tenth month of captivity and radio contacts with Al Faran, the kidnap group, have broken down. The authorines are baffled by the long silence and the main theory is that the captors do not know how to end the crisis.



Generalissimo and Madame Chiang flank Earl Mountbatten on a visit to British India in 1943

## Chiang's home town mourns loss of its Taiwanese tourists

FROM JAMES PRINGLE IN XIEKOU, CHINA

JUST two months ago, this ly bent on seeking indepen picturesque little town near China's eastern coast was tourists visiting the birthplace Damage done by the Red of Chiang Kai-shek, the late Guards, who smashed Chinese Nationalist Party leader, but for the past few weeks since Peking launched military exercises in the Tai-wan Strait not a single Taiwanese has appeared, locals

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said yesterday.
"They are afraid to come, and business is hurting," said Chiang Suzhong, 37, who like many people in Xiekou shares a surname with the leader who died in 1975 and claims distant kinship to the man he calls lord. "Last year we bad Taiwanese tour-

ists every day, but now because of the recent tension, they have stopped com-ing." The younger Chiang is a guide to the birthplace, for-mer home and school of the Na-

tionalist leader. Taiwan in 1949 when the Communist armies of bis arch-enemy. Mao Tse-tung. won control of the mainland. in the anti-landlord campaign of the early 1950s, many other Chiang descendants were shot, imprisoned or sent to labour camps, locals said. Yet there are still plenty of

visitors to the Chiang ancestral home in Zhejiang province, although they are less wealthy Chinese citizens, not free-spending Taiwanese. Altogether one and a half million came last year. The Taiwanese became ner-

would break out between China and Taiwan during the war games which ended in late March, after the Taiwanese presidential elections easily won by incumbent President Lee Teng-hui, who may have been helped by the Chinese sabre-rattling.

Surprisingly, Generalissimo Chiang, once Mao's Chiang who drives visitors nemesis, has undergone around in a canopied bicycle something of a rehabilitation in China, at a time when Peking has heaped abuse on Mr Lee as a "splittist" alleged age here again.

dence for the prosperous is land territory regarded by swarming with Taiwanese China as a renegade province

> Chiang family graves and scattered the bones of Chiang's mother, has been repaired, as has earlier devastation caused by Japanese People's Liberation Army

(PLA) officers, carrying their caps, were at the weekend touring the cobbled court-yards of Chiang's old residence, although their Fujian province were only last month fixing missiles into the sea off Taiwan.
"Chiang made valuable contri-

butions to the

anti-Japanese

struggle," said an elderly visitor

from Shanghai.

touring exhibits which included

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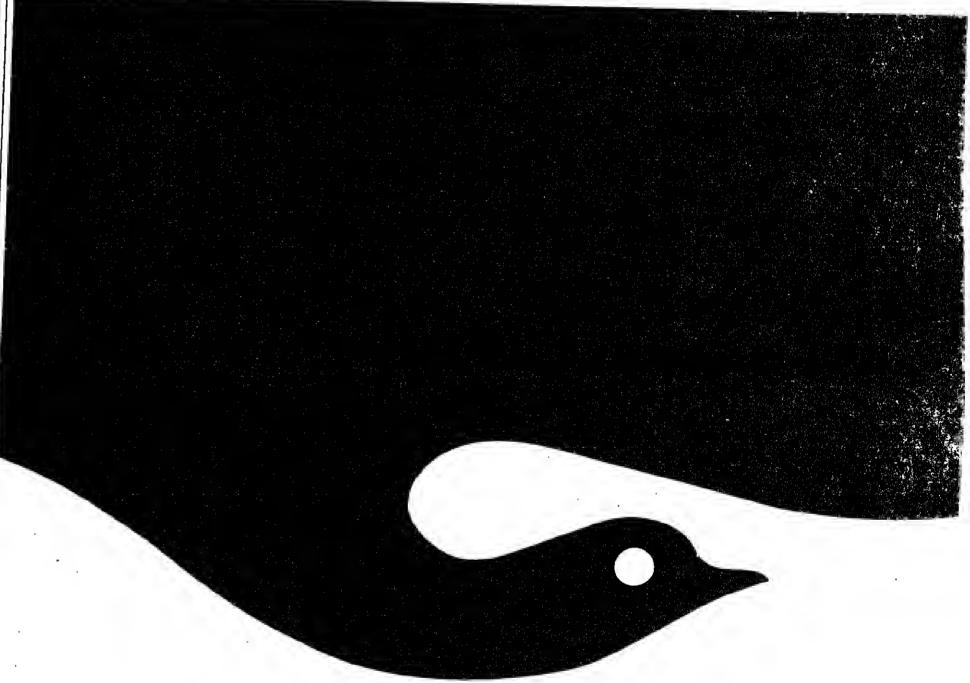
6 Chiang always believed that Taiwan was part of China 🤊

Chiang with Churchill and who fled with his troops to Roosevelt. "Mao and Chiang may have had ideological differences, but Chiang always believed that China was one country and that Taiwan was part of China, unlike the present rulers there. The situation has been a little tense recently. Perhaps our Taiwan compatriots will return soon."

Grassroots economic matters, such as the relative prosperity that has come to this once neglected town since Peking began a more open policy towards Taiwan in 1986, and even encouragement to Taiwanese business to invest in Zhejiang, in part vous over fears that conflict explain Chiang's return from purgatory.

Uneasy Taiwanese businessmen, 100,000 of whom have invested £16.5 billion since China's opening, certainly hope for a return of the strategy of co-operatioo between Mao and Chiang for a rare period in the 1930s, as do traders and guides like young

But it may be some time before they make the pilgrim-



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## Mangled proverb led to arrest in Unabomber hunt

FROM QUENTIN LETTS IN NEW YORK

A MANGLED proverb provided the FBI with a clue that led them to believe Theodore Ted" Kaczynski, a 53-year-old Montana, is the most wanted man in America. In letters to his octogenarian mother, Mr Kaczynski used the expression "vou can't eat your cake and have it, too". The same inverted construction was used by Unabomber, who is wanted for a deadly bombing cam-paign which lasted for 18

Mr Kaczynski, who was arrested last week, is being detained on a holding charge related to a homemade bomb found at his cabin. A grand jury in Great Falls, Montana, may confirm further charges laier this month.

Wanda Kaczynski allowed FBI agents to look at letters from her son that she had kept over the years. She did so, confident that they would prove he had nothing to do with the Unabomber.

tn addition to the "eat your cake" maxim, the leners contained rambling philosophical monologues which bear comparisons to the 35,000-word manifesto sent by the Unabomber to newspapers last year. Mr Kaczynski's letters were typed, as was the bomber's manifesto. Examples of the two will be examined by Mariin Tytell, an 82-year-old typewriter expert from New York, Ironically, if the technophobe Unabomber had relied on a computer printer he might have denied

the FBI vital evidence. Unabomber invesogators. who were tipped off by Mr Kaczynski's younger brother, appear increasingly confident that he is their man, but the United States Anorney General's office continued to exercise legal caution. Experts have speculated that Mr Kaczynski could be tried in the various states where the Unabomber struck. The District Attorney in Sacramento, California, boasted that her city was the easiest place in which to secure a death sentence, and Pete Wilson, California's Governor, said he would work to ensure that the trial was held

The object of their unseemly squabbling, Ted Kaczynski, looked perplexed by the array of cameras and reporters shouts of "Are you the Unabomber?" as he faced the media. He walked busily, his head bobbing up and down as he checked the ground, with his hands held together like a monk in cloisters. The furmer maths professor's nnwwashed hair is springy, and his filthy old clothes have been replaced by a bright orange prison jumpsuit.

Outside Lincoln, Montana, FBt agents allowed reporters a closer look at the outside of the handbuilt, 10ft by 12ft plywood



Kaczynski: expert is to examine his typewriter

cabin where Mr Kaczynski lived, enduring the merciless winters without electricity or plumbing. In thick snows he must have struggled uutside to use a nearby stream as a toilet. Inside, the cabin was dark, the only natural light filtering through two inadequate, dirty windows. The single door has three locks, a level of protecrion rare in a rural community where neighbours lend each other tools, swap vegetables and leave the door open.

Investigators are going through the contents of 40 boxes of assorted belongings found in a loft in the cabin. One neighbour recalled him as "a sweet little neighbour". but Carol Wells, a Lincoln shopkeeper, said that "this was not his home, just his hiding place". Police have yet to under-

stand how a seemingly penni-less hermit can allegedly have conducted a narionwide bombing campaign. Mr Kaczynski made occasional bus ourneys, using the daily service connecting Lincoln to Montana's capital, Helena, 30 miles away, and to Missoula. about 100 miles to the west. From there one can catch Greyhound buses to destina-

riuns across the country. For Lincoln, meanwhile, a small economic boom is taking place thanks to the massed ranks uf reporters and FBI investigators. Wayne Cash-man, owner of the Blackfoot River Inn, said: "This time of year is usually really slow. It has been a real help." Souvenirs were swiftly marketed from \$40 (£26) Unabomber Tshirts to \$20 baseball caps. There has also been the sighting of the first taxd in Lincoln. hired in Helena by a CBS



Athletes in period running gear help to re-enact the first modern Olympics at the Panathenean stadium in Athens where the ancient

years ago. More than 30,000 people braved unusual cold to join the raucous party. Athletes from the original len countries, Australia, Britain, Chile, Denmark, France. Germany, Greece, Hunga-

#### First Olympic Games re-run

ry. Sweden and America, competed an Saturday night in some of the 43 original events for olive wreaths and silver and brunze medals there were nn gold medals

"We had a lot of fun. Yno get overwhelmed by the histmry here which can't be compared to any medal. I can say I've run in this stadium." Roger Kingdom, two-time gold medallist, said. The centennial Games in Atlanta this summer will incinde 10,000 athletes from

197 countries competing in

271 events. The Olympic

torch is being taken around

the Greek islands before it

begins its journey Georgia, (Reuter)

Albright tipped for the top in next Clinton Cabinet

FROM JAMES BONE IN NEW YORK

WHEN St Mary's girls' school in North Carolina wanted to invite Madeleine Albright, the Ambassador to the United Nations, to give a speech last month it enlisted the help of its right-wing local senator.

Jesse Helms, America's

harshest UN criuc wrote to Mrs Albright to persuade her to visit his rural, tobaccogrowing consitituency. The ambassadur accepted the invitation on condition that Mr introduce her.

The event went swimming-ly. Mrs Albright used the occasion to make a policy address on UN-American relations. Mr Helms nodded approvingly at every mention of UN reform and refrained from criticising her proposal that Washington pay off its billion-dollar debt to the world body over the next five years.

The gathering was the clearest sign yet of one of the most curious courtships in current American politics between a diehard Democrat and the Republican chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

He is charmed by women: she knows how to charm an old Southern senator," one political insider explained. it's all gooey. It makes me

Mrs Albright's blossoming relationship with Mr Helms is one of a number of facture that have made her the clear frontrunner to succeed Warren Christopher as Secretary of State in a second Clinton

Administration. Others are lining up for Mr Christopher's job, should President Clinton be re-elected in November, as looks likely. They include Richard Holbrooke, the former Bosnia troubleshooter now working on Wall Street; Strobe Talbott. the Deputy Secretary of State: and Lee Hamilton, a Democrat on the House Foreign Affairs Committee. According to the conventional wisdom. however. Mrs Albright is the woman to beat.

The significance of her friendship with Mr Helms is that his committee, with its Republican majority, controls the confirmation by the Senate of the next Secretary uf State.

This fact is not lost on Mrs Albright, who began her political career in the 1970s as an aide to Edmund Muskie, then a member of the Senate Foreign Relations Comminee.

eign Relations Comminee.

The Prague-born daughter of a Czech diplomat, semenced to death in absentia in 1949 by his country's new Communist rulers. Mrs Albright has impeccable credentials as a Cold Wagner. As J. N. Ambassador. Warrior. As UN Ambassador. she has taken a decidedly oeoconservative line un Iraq. Cuba, North Korea, Libya and the Palesonians.

Some Democrats complain that Mrs Albright spends too much time on Capitol Hill wooing Congressional leaders. However, she is said to have impressed Mr Clinton with her sage advice on Bosnia last summer when Ameri-ca finally unleashed its air power against the Serbs.



Albright: wooing votes on Senate committee

WORLD SUMWARY

## Teenage boys kill themselves for love of a schoolgirl, 12

By Quentin Letts

TWO 15-year-old boys in-volved in a love triangle killed themselves in desperation at their romantic plight, after police stopped them for speed-ing in a stolen car. An alert state trioper managed to stop the 12-year-old girl they both loved from shooting herself as

A weeping Jennifer Waldroup was restrained by the Arkansas state trooper moments after her would-be boyfriends, Joshua Rogers and Kevin Hyde, died of selfinflicted gunshot wounds to the head from a .22 pistol.

The three children, from North Carolina, had stolen the car and were miles from home when they were spotted driving through Arkansas at more than 100mph.

Police chased them until the car eventually pulled up at a lay-by, where Corporal Freddie Hudson left his patrol car tu talk to them.

As the state trooper approached the vehicle, there were two shots as the boys killed themselves.

He rushed towards the car and lound Jennifer scrambling around on the floor of

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the car, trying to find the pistol. "They had all agreed to kill themselves and the girl would have kept her end of the bargain if our officer had not been alert," said Wayne Jordan, of the Arkansas state police. "She was screaming Kill me. I want to die'.

After being calmed by Corporal Hudson, the girl told investigators that the two boys were in a quandary because they were both in love with

"We were going west," she said. "We didn't know where. We were just going."

### Weeping Clinton salutes **Brown**

FROM IAN BROOTE IN WASHINGTON

IN A simple ceremony, the bodies of Ron Brown, the American Secretary of Commerce, and 32 other people who died in the Dubrovnik air crash, were returned to American soil as their grieving families and President Clinton looked on.

A 19-gun salute echoed at dusk on Saturday across the Dover air force base in Delaware where the American trade mission to help the Balkans rebuild in peace ended in tears.

Mr Clinton, his voice breaking, said: "The sun is going down on this day. The next time it rises it will be Easter morning, a day that marks the passage from luss and despair to hope and redemption ... What they did while the sun was out will last with us

Mr Clinton paid special tribute to Mr Brown, a political ally and an architect of his own 1992 election victory: "He was a noble Secretary of Commerce who never saw a mountain he couldn't climb, or a river he couldn't build a

bridge across. The strain of the occasion showed clearly on Mr Clinton's face. He finally broke down after the ceremony as he walked to Air Force One to fly back to Washington.

## Chirac accused of weapons deal to save French pilots

PRESIDENT CHIRAC was Lieutenant José Souvignet with the Bosnian Serbs, over-

tioned weapons sales to Bosnian Serbs to secure the release of two pilots shot down over the former Yugoslavia. The report on the indepen-

dent TFI channel, which was denied by the French authoriries, claimed that Paris had paid Russia to supply arms to the forces of Radovan Karadzic and Ratko Mladic last December.

M Chirac has maintained there were neither negoriarions nor deals with the Bosnian Serbs, who captured the airmen after their Mirage 2000 was hit over Pale during a Nato mission last August. Captain Frederic Chiffot and

THE Bosnian Serbs are likely

to be excluded from a confer-

ence on Bosnian reconstruc-

tion in Brussels next weekend

unless they immediately free

their prisoners uf war. Carl

Bildt, the European Union

representative, said yesterday.

Serbs to release the prisoners

by Friday's midnight deadline

could cost them millions of

dollars in reconstruction fund-

ing. Mr Bildt, who is charged with implementing the civil-

The fatture of the Bosnian

FROM ADAM SAGE IN PARIS

embroiled in controversy ves-terday after French lelevision reported that he had sanc-reported that he had sanc-M Chirac went out of his way to thank President Yeltsin without whom, he said, the release "would not have been possible". He said the Russian leader had helped by putting pressure on Dr Karadzic and General Mladic. But in a report for its main evening news bulletin on Saturday. TFl said that Mr Yeltsin's intervention was far more significant than President

Chirac had led his compatriots to believe. It said Jean-Charles Marchiani, an intelligence specialist who is close to President Chirac's Gaullist movement,

had been involved in talks

Serbs face PoW ultimatum

FROM STACY SULLIVAN IN DUBROVNIK

ian aspects of the Dayton

peace accord, said Bosnian

Serb officials had handed over

files on 16 suspected war criminials but they had failed

to meet the requirements on

only days after Ron Brown,

the US Commerce Secretary.

and a delegation of American

business executives were

killed in a plane crash after

mission.

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His announcement came

prisoners.

seen by Russian agents. This led to a complex deal, with France buying weapons in Moscow and asking Russia to deliver them to Pale, the television station claimed.

The report included an interview with a man it identified as Colonel Vladimir Koulich of the Russian foreign intelligence agency. He said he had been involved in the talks alungside M Marchiani. At the time of the release, there was specularion that General Mladic had demanded immunity from prosecution for war

The French Defence Minis-try said: There were neither negotiadons, nor compensarions, nor exchanges for the release of the pilots."

deaths will also hamper the

Mr Bildt said the conference

would go ahead. "It looks as if

would be able to give the

green light for the conference,

but not for the participation of

the Bosnian Serbs, he said. When the deadline passed.

the Croats, who were holding

Muslims, who were detaining

28, freed 18: and the Serbs.

who were holding 16, failed to

release any.

PoWs, released 28; the

rebuilding process.

### Liberian feud sets city ablaze

Munrovia: Fighting and looting erupted in the Liberian capital, Monrovia, yesterday after the Council of State ordered the arrest of a deposed warlord on murder charges.

Rival factions exchanged fire and set buildings ablaze when fighting spread to the city centre, particularly around barracks of the former narional army.

The clashes began around the home of Roosevelt Johnson, a deposed faction leader. and forced thousands of civilians to flee. Council member Charles Taylor, who launched Liberia's civil war in 1989, said on radio: "The decision now is for the police to bring Mr Johnson to justice." (Reuter)

#### Iraq 'oil for food' talks to resume

New York: Talks on an "oil for food" scheme allowing Iraq to start selling crude for the first time since the Gulf War are due to resume in New York today (James Bone writes). Iwo rounds of talks have been held this year on the United Nations-approved proposal which would allow Iraq to sell up to \$1bn (£649 million) of oil every three months in order to raise money for food and

## Fresh search for

abducted Briton

Phnnm Penh: The employer of a British mine-clearing expert and his Cambodian translator, who have been taken hostage by Khmer Rouge rebels, said it might launch its own search from Thailand. Archie McCarron, the director of the Mines Advisory Group in Cambodia, "absolutely no news" of Chris-iopher Howes, from Bristof, and Huon Hourth. (AFP)

#### Island volcano erupts again

Plymouth, Montserrat: A volcano hurled tons of ash miles into the air, preventing evacuated islanders from retrieving helongings they had abandoned in Plymouth, the capital, after an eruption on Wednesday. It was the third evacuation since the Snufriere Hills volcano became active in . July, after hundreds of years of being dormant. (AP)

## Picnic at North Pole

By QUENTIN LETTS

ONE OF the richest woman in America will next week make a day trip to the North Pole to have a picnic and to "find" herself.

Marylou Vanderbilt Whitney, a vivacious widow, has commissioned two small aircraft — one of them a fuel plane — to fly her and three companions to the Pole. They intend to alight, admire the view for an hour or so, and plant a flag.

Mrs Whitney, an acquaintance of

the Prince of Wales, holds that "if you have some fears you need to conquer them", and that "money does not make you happy — it's the way you live life that is important". She hopes that the adventure will help her to "grow as a person". Mrs Whitney, who is believed to be nudging 70, has also organised the trip as a 91st birthday present to Norman Vaughan, whu will be along for the

Mr Vaughan is a former explorer who mushed dogs for Admiral Byrd on his trip to Antarctica in 1928. Mrs Whitney thought it would be "neat" for him to have stood full square on both Poles, "the bottom and top of the

The North Pole visit in two skiequipped Twin Oner aeroplanes will not be without danger. Mrs Whimey's assistant. Courtney Callahan, said: "We'll be landing on broken, moving ice and will spend about an hour at the Pole. It will be up to the pilots to say exactly how long we stay. They will probably be quite anxious to get going." Miss Callahan added that a picnic may be packed, perhaps with a flask of bourbon from Mrs Whitney's home state of Kentucky, although the well-preserved millionairess prefers to drink vinegar.

Mrs Whitney will wear a bright yellow and pink jacket with matching irousers over long underwear and "bunny boots", similar to those worn by Eskimos. She seems to like the cold. Last year she and Mr Vaughan looked in on Antarctica, where their party slept in igloos and are Spam; and she cooked her forte - lemon meringue pie.



Marylou Whitney, pictured at a pet show, walking a friend's dalmation

The German poet Hans-Magnus Enzensberger

inter-rail cards used by Eu-

rope's young backpackers

had done more to integrate

the continent than all the

earnest work done by govern-ments. You might think that

today's equivalent of cheap,

transcontinental rail tickets is

The founding fathers of

European unification always

insisted that Europe could

unite only when people felt

part of one large community.

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WORLD SUMMARY feud set

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 away by people who get better without them. For these patients, the mere act of seeing a practitioner has therapeutic Further research indicates that about 25,000 of France's

165,000 doctors are superfluous, a suggestion that the Government has taken on

in pill swallowing board, since it encourages them to retire early. The French are also European record holders in the consumption of tranquillisers and anti-depressants, with a total of 42 million boxes

(almost one per person) sold each year. The cost of all this is high. France spends 9.8 per cent of its national wealth on healthcare, compared to 8.6 per cent in Germany, 75 per cent in Sweden and 7.1 per cent in Britain. Of Western nations, only the United

States spends more. Nor does the country necessarily get good value for its money. French women may live longer than anyone except the Japanese, but French men tend to die at a younger age than their foreign



unsupervised electronic anarchy is surely the place.

That's the theory; practice is different. I may have missed it (and inexperienced cybernauts like me can miss a

good deal) but a recent sam-ple revealed little "eurobuzz" on my screen. Anybody plugging into the EU who expects the zippy, border-hopping ir-reverence with which MTV sets the agenda for Europe's rock fans will be sorely disappointed.

National governments and the European Commission and Parliament have lumbered into action and set up web sites. The Foreign Office dumps 7,000 documents a week into http://www.fco. gov.uk/ and if you want to argue with Malcolm Rifkind's EU White Paper, you can e-mail the Foreign Secretary direct. However, govern-ments are just using the Net as another way of bombarding you with facts you probably don't want to know and which are already available in other forms.

You might have thought that the European Commission wanted to upgrade its battered image. The Eurocrats have produced "Europa" (http://www.cec.lu.), which has beautiful flags but is otherwise a yawn. There is plenty of data, but it is not updated very often.

A list of rebuttals knocking down untrue stories about the EU enlivens things a little

Norfolk teacher Lynne Symonds among her enthusiastic new subjects at her inauguration as a chief of the Mamprusi in northern Ghana

Ghana tribe makes British woman teacher a chief

a Norfolk pig farmer and mother of two daughters aged 19 and 24, was carried shoulder high around the mud

Tokyo and talked to Karimu Nachina, headmaster of the school at Wulugu.

Discovering how poor the facilities

"Miesim Poagnaba", which translates forging links between the school and

as "Woman Chief of Enlightenment ... ber own, sending books and raising

but villages. She was rechristened

given a red-and-black ceremonial robe

and matching hat and omate sandals.

white persoo by the Mamprusi tribe of

northern Ghana, was bestowed by

Chief Wulugunaba, the division chief

of the Kpasenkpe area. Her elevation

began three years ago when she attended an education conference in

The honour, never before given to a

mis Symonos was

solemnity. An entry rubbishing the myth that the EU will force every fishing boat to keep at least 200 condoms on board can't resist adding a pious sermonette on the "Europe Against Aids" campaign.

ebates on the development of the Net snap, crackle and pop elsewhere. The war of words over ineffectual attempts by the Mannheim public prosecutor to suppress Ernst Zündel, the German-Canadian apologist for the Nazis, has been conducted

French Government has been trying vainly to per-suade Washington to shut down a San Diego-based Islamic group which has been putting bomb assembly instructions on the Net.

In Britain, the gently subversive David Delaney {http://www.kc3ltd.co.uk./ profile/eurofollie/) has abled a rich, tragi-comic list of Euro-lunacies, Euromyths and officials' replies. You can follow the sad saga of the mushy-pea maker in Derbyshire who may be driven out of business by a directive banning the pea

limits on the quantities of information at each web site. Mr Delaney makes his case against undue EU interference with grimly precise

detail. The great and good of the EU are struggling with the cyberworld. Ideas for pan-European legislation were last heard of stuck in a turf fight between two European Commissioners. Their web site style is jammed in a time warp. As my 10 and 12-yearold sons might say, so far they're cybernerds.

GEORGE BROCK

## Doctors call a 24-hour strike over Juppé cuts

FROM ADAM SAGE IN PARIS

France will shut down for a day this month as part of protest over the Prime Minister's plans to reduce welfare

Four months after civil servants brought the country to a standstill when they demonstrated against Alain Juppe's cuts, specialists and GPs are threatening to follow suit.

M Juppe is planning to fine practitioners if they overstep their annual budget, so the higgest doctors' union has taken the unusual step of calling a strike for April 24, the day the proposals are to be approved by the Cabinet. Their action is a fresh blow to. the Prime Minister, , who weathered December's massive protests at a severe cost to his own popularity.

In a country that spends more on its healthcare system than any other in Europe, and where patients are deeply attached to their medicines and their medics, the controversy is likely to prove damag-

administration. The dispute comes as new figures suggest that, despite the unprecedented cuts announced by M Juppe last November, France's social security deficit will reach Fr40 billion (ES.2 billion) this year, more than double the Government's target. A rise in unemployment and a slowing down in economic activity are responsible for a failure that will set back Paris's chances of fulfilling the criteria to take part in economic and mone-

tary union. Chastened by the anger that followed their drive to cut Civil Service pensions at the end of last year, ministers had intended to dilute their healthcare reforms. They argue that because of the deepening deficit they have no choice but to crack down.

At present patients can see as many GPs and specialists as they like, whenever they like. The more people doctors see, and the more treatments

Paris: Encouraged by a sys-tem that has almost no con-straints, the French spend

more on healthcare than any

other country in Europe

They are prescribed an average of 37.2 boxes of pills a

year compared to just over nine boxes in Britain and

about six in Germany. Nor are the prescriptions always

necessary.
Smdies show that about 20

per cent of medicines - about

60,000 tonnes - are thrown

(Adam Sage writes).

DOCTORS' surgeries in they prescribe, the more they earn - an arrangement that scarcely encourages savings. Under M Juppe's plans, a

ought to come in. Net surfers

need not worry about nat-

ional borders, national au-

thorities, national tradition

or the baggage of the past in

any form. If there was ever an

opportunity to create a new

European agora, the Net's

healthcare budget would be fixed at the start of every year. If the country's 165,000 doctors overspend, the entire profession would be penalised, with their fees likely to be frozen and the possibility of collective fines. Individual doctors could also face sanctions for overspending even if, as a whole, the profession stays within its budget. People would also be encouraged to consult a GP before seeing a more costly specialist, a procedure that is far from automatic.

Claude Maffioli, president of the Confederation of French Medical Unions, which called the strike, said: "We are moving towards the English system of limiting healthcare." The MG union, which only represents GPs, was better disposed towards M Juppe's ideas. Nevertheless, it said: The balance has swung too far towards controlling

For patients, too, there will be sharp changes, with an obligation to present their medical records every time they see a doctor. The Government hopes that this will curb the French habit of consulting several practitioners the same day for the same illness.



Juppé: faces another damaging protest

French hold record

# Pope pleads for an

the intransigence of "followers of other religions" who were persecuting Christians, an apparent reference to Islamic fundamentalism.

FROM SIMON WALKER

IN WULLKU, NORTHERN CHANA

LYNNE SYMONDS forsook the girls

in ber sixth-form chemistry class at

Hethersett Old Hall School near

for her inauguration as a tribal

After a ceremony lasting three days and nights amid the swirling dust,

searing heat and incessant drumbeats, Mrs Symonds said: "I was scared stiff. It will add another dimension to my CV though, I suppose." At the climax of the rituals Mrs Symonds, the wife of

The Pope recently con-

Yesterday the Pope praised those who "at the cost of great sacrifice" were pursuing peace in Bosnia, Ireland and "partic-ularly the Holy Land". Hopes for peace in the Middle East were still jeopardised by "recourse to force and violence". He asked Christ to "comfort those who reject the inevitabil-

di and Rwanda" and "allay the sufferings of those subjected to violence of arms in the Cancasus, Afghanistan, Algeria, Sudan and other regions.
The Pope. 75, looked tired but spoke strongly during yesterday's Easter ceremony

on a packed and sunlit St Peter's Square, carpeted with flowers from The Netherlands Dressed in white and gold robes and a gold mitre, he wished viewers around the world a happy Easter in 57 languages, to applause and shouts of

encouragement The Pope had appeared unsteady on Good Friday while following the Stations of the Cross at the Colosseum and volunteers from Rwanda and Bosnia helped him to carry the cross.

The Vatican denied the fact that the Pope's left hand shook repeatedly yesterday meant that he had Parkinson's disease, or that recent bouts of illness - officially ascribed to flu and "digestive disorders" - were due to cancer of the colon. Vatican officials said the Pope was determined to maintain a rigorous programme of foreign travel.



#### Informers keep up pressure on Mafia

By RICHARD OWEN

AN INVESTIGATION was launched yesterday into high-level officials associated with Bruno Contrada, a senior anti-Mafia policeman sentenced on Friday to ten years in jail for collusion with Cosa Nostra bosses.

"The accused was clearly only one link in the chain. said a judge in Palermo, the

Sicilian capital. During Contrada's two-year trial several prominent fig-ures made statements in his support. They included Rinaldo Coronas, the Interior Minister, Antonio Gava, a former Interior Minister, Fernando Masone, the national chief of police, and Riccardo Malpica, the former head of Sisde, the intelligence service.

The conviction was based on evidence from informers (pentiti), and seen as a sign that the anti-Mafia campaign is undiminished, despite intimidation of informers.

The crackdown on the Mafia began in 1992 when Judge Giovanni Falcone, the anti-Mafia judge, was killed by a bomh near Palermo. It had begun to falter recently, and there were signs that the trial of Giulio Andreotti, the former Prime Minister accused of Mafia tinks, was becoming bogged down. Signor Andreotti goes on trial in Perugia this week on the charge of involvement in the murder in 1979 of Mino Pecorelli, an anti-Mafia journalist. Contrada, 66, the third

most senior official in the national intelligence service, was charged with "systemic Leading article, page 15 | collusion" with the Mafia.

### Bomb warning in Israel as Easter message urges religious tolerance

Discovering how poor the facilities

there were, Mrs Symonds set about

the 100 girls who are often abused by

villagers with whom they are forced to

lodge.
The unexpected reward in recogni-

tion of her educational work is her

honorary title as third in command of

the Manprusi tribe of 3,000 people living in 13 villages. It confers upon her, in theory at least, the power of life

to build a boarding house for

## end to persecution of Christians

FROM RICHARD OWEN IN ROME

THE Pope yesterday hit out at

In his Easter message Urbi et Orbi, he said that Christians in Africa, Latin America, Asia and Europe had "legitimate aspirations" to employment, housing, social justice and religious freedom which were being "hindered" by other faiths.

demned Islamic persecution of Christians in Sudan, and is due to travel to Tunisia next weekend to plead for Islamic tolerance and Islamic-Christian dialogue. He also spoke out against the growing power of Protestant sects during his gruelling tour of Central America last month.

ity of ethnic rivalries in Burun-



The Pope waves to the faithful who came to hear his Easter message in St Peter's Square yesterday

## Polisario rebels threaten to resume war against Morocco



FROM MARK HUBAND IN RABOUNL SOUTHERN ALGERIA.

ALGERIAN-BACKED fighters battling Morocco for control of the disputed territory of Western Sahara have threatened a return to desert war after a five-year ceasefire if a planned referendum on the future of the

mineral-rich territory is not held. The leader of the Polisario Front's war against the Moroccan occupation of the territory insisted that, if a United Nations-sponsored referendum allowing the self-determination of the native Sahrawi people is to go ahead, substantial evidence of Moroccan manipulation of the voter-registration process must first be addressed. The UN's already extended mandate expires on May 31 and is unlikely to be renewed.

Mohammed Abdelaziz, leader of the front and President of the Sahrawi Arab Democratic Republic - a state without a country, recognised by 70 nations - said in an interview at his headquarters in Rabouni, south of the isolated Algerian town of Tindoul, that he would accept the appointment of an fraught with danger. Morocco has independent mediator to establish a dialogue between Polisario and the Moroccan Government to avert a crisis which threatens regional stability.

"We are not looking for war, and we are concerned about finding a way of saving the [UN] settlement plan. But if war is imposed on us we will fight. We are seeking the appointment of an independent mediator, but not somebody from either the Organisation of African Unity or the UN. Somebody who can open dialogue." His call is

never officially recognised the Polisario Front as a legitimate opponent, rather as a rebel force backed by its main regional rival and claiming a territory which King Hassan views as part of

The Polisario Front has repeatedly accused the UN of favouring Moroccan interests, failing to investigate accusations of bias in the voterregistration process and allowing Morocco to intimidate and imprison those calling for a fair vote.

### Palestinians barred from Jerusalem sites

FROM CHRISTOPHER WALKER IN JERUSALEM

EASTER Day celebrations in Palestinian pilgrims who were the Holy City where Jesus was threat of more Islamic suicide attacks and harsh Israeli security measures which stopped thousands of Palestinian Christians from visiting holy

and death over her subjects, but in

practice she will hand out advice.

mainly on educational matters. She is

spending 12 days in Ghana before teturning to the chemistry laboratory

and hockey pitch at Hethersett, and

expects to visit her tribe twice a year.

I think I'm just numb," Mrs
Symonds said after the ceremony
attended by Roger, her husband. "1

didn't realise it would be as amazing

as it was. It's very different from

seeing it on David Altenborough than

actually doing it for real."

The threat of more suicide bombs issued by Hamas, the Islamic Resistance Movement, also kept away many foreign pilgrims, some of whom found that tour operators were unable to provide travel insurance for Israel.

In Saint George's Cathedral in Israeli-annexed east Jerusa-lem, Samir Kafity, the Anglican Bishop of Jerusalem, denounced the five-week closure of the West Bank and Gaza Strip, imposed after Palestinian suicide bombers killed more than 60 people in nine days. Some would-be

Church of the Holy Sepulchre. in the heart of the Old City went to Bethlehem, the newly autonomous West Bank town. On Saturday, about 1,000 Palestinians, Israeli peace campaigners and European tourists held a march in Bethlehem's Manger Square to protest at the closure, which most Palestinian Authority officials expect to last at least

unable to reach the site of

Jesus's crucifixion at the

tion at the end of next month. Despite a diplomatic inter-vention from France, the Is-raelis refused to make any exception for Arab pilgrims wanting to attend the Easter festivities, claiming to have received reliable intelligence that more suicide bombs were being planned by militants opposed to the peace process.



THE WEEK **AHEAD** 



VISUAL ART

Playing with stainless steel: the intriguing work of the sculptor Alison Wilding goes on show in London OPEN: Now **REVIEW: Tomorrow** 

BATH: Michael Blakemore directs
Michael Frayn's stylich cornedy New
You Know Adam Faith is head of an
organisation dedicated to unearthing
political secrets. Intelligent and
directing, some good, lively writing; with
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OPERA

Verdi's first great success, Nabucco. returns to Covent Garden for the first time in two decades **OPENS: Tomorrow REVIEW: Thursday** 



THEATRE

Josie Lawrence stars as the RSC hrings its production of The Taming of the Shrew to the Barbican OPENS: Tomorrow **REVIEW: Thursday** 



**■** MUSICALS

Broadway star Mandy Patinkin makes his British stage debut performing show tunes at the Almeida **OPENS: Tomorrow REVIEW: Thursday** 

LONDON

ELVIS: Revival of the 20-year-old tribute show: P.J. Proby plays the Vegas Elvis, newcomar Alexander Bar is the teenager and Tim Whitmall (the teenager 20 years ago) now plays the Pelvis in his prime Positively no emphasis on the latio-right groping on peanut butter and jelo torpeadoes. jello torpisdoes Prince of Wales, Coventry Street W1

tomorrow-Thurs, 8pm, Fri and Set, 8 30pm, Opens Apr 15, 7pm **EVOLVING TRADITION 2:** The lourends today with Irish musical heroes Patrick Street in concert and a variety of Patrick Street in concert and a variety of free loyer performances from up-and-coming folk acts, including Cecile, Shooglenthy and Ben Paley, Barblean, Sik Street, EC2 (\$) (0171-638 8891) Free events, 12.30-5.30pm; Patrick Street, 7.30pm.

ELSEWHERE PLYMOUTH: David Storey's lusty play.
The Changing Rooms, about a disparate group of men and their transformation into a rugby league team Third in the season of Royal Court Cassics; directed by James MacDonald Theetire Royal Royal Parade, P.1 2TR (01752) 2672221 Toreght-Sat, 7 30pm, mats Thurs and Sat, 2 30pm, (a)

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performed in the capital four years ago it was a very serious business indeed. Noise from the audience was strictly prohibited and latecomers had to wait for a suitable break before they could be ushered to their seats as Reed system atically ploughed through a joyless recital of his album, Magic And Loss.

Perhaps it was the shortlived Velvet Underground reunion of 1993 that brought him down to earth. Or perhaps at the age of 54 he has decided that time is too precious to waste. Whatever the reason,

POP

Lou Reed Empire, W12

Reed has dispensed with such awkward pretensions, and his show at Shepherds Bush was all the better for it.

After a brief guitar reveille, cranked out in that amateurishly stiff but authoritative way of his, he launched straight into Sweet Jane. one of those essence-of-rock'o'roll riffs that Reed has conjured over the years, and still a song that can knock you back on your heels. Quickly establishing a pattern of new numbers liberally interspersed with his classics. Reed breezed through NYC Mon from his current album, Set The Twilight Reeling, then led his three-man group into Dirty Blvd. Here was another irresistible, tugat-the-elbow riff this time combined with an eloquently damning description of life among the New York City underclass sung, as ever, in his uniquely droll drawl: "No one here dreams of being a doctor or a lawyer or

anything/They dream of deal-

ing on the dirty boulevard."



In recent times, Reed's poetic flair as a lyricist has made him more than a match for Bob Dylan. But Reed also likes to play loud, loosely-scripted rockn'roll, and that is what this wonderfully vibrant show was all about.

Frequent eye contact was maintained between Reed and his fellow musicians, particularly bass player Fernando Saunders - a veteran of Reed's bands from the 1980s who played an unusually delicate solo during Set The Twilight Reeling. Drummer Tony "Thunder" Smith fully lived up to his nickname, most notably when using a pair of beaters to hammer merry hell out of his tom-toms during the epic finale of Doing The Things That They Want To.

New songs, from the frivolous slow rocker Egg Cream to the seriously moody Riptide, slotted seamlessly alongside Woiting For The Man and I Lore You Suzanne, prompting a rapturous reception. came to play," Reed announced as he strapped on his guitar for the first of five encores, which included Walk On The Wild Side and a scrappy Satellite Of Love. Like Keith Richards, whom

he is beginning to resemble, Reed is an unlikely survivor who still has his finger on the rock'n'roll pulse, Stripped, on this occasion, of all excess baggage, he delivered goods from the motherlode with capacity to spare.

DAVID SINCLAIR

AS HE left, shortly before the end of Freddie Hubbard's first gig in over a year, a sympathetic audience member handed in a brief note, later read out from the number one for me. Freddie." Such a supportive mixture of prayer and reassurance is precisely what the 57-year-old Indiana-born trumpeter needs at present; JAZZ he would be the first to admit that he has a great deal of hard work ahead of him if he is to reproduce the sort of form that Freddie Hubbard rocketed him to fame in his early twenties, courtesy of gigs with Sonny Rollins,

Blakey's Jazz Messengers. The hallmarks of Hubbard's unique talent are power, fleetness and extraordinary control, so the physical problems he is experiencing weigh more heavily on him than they might upon a less ebullient artist. Billie Holiday, for instance, was famously able to accommodate her physical frailties, skilfully assimilating them into her vocal style to produce a highly

Quincy Jones and - most famously - Art

Hope of the brave

Rhythmic, N1 affecting mixture of vulnerability and spirited defiance. Lester Young, 100,

produced some of his most emotionally charged music in his less robust later years. Hubbard, committed to highoctane performances, has fewer options than such illustrious predecessors.

The ill wind that has temporarily robbed Hubbard of his powers, however,

band. Saxophonist Andy Panayi has been slowly building a reputation for gutsy. terrier-like tenacity in his soloing with the kes of Clark Tracey and Tommy Smith over the past few years, and so it was extremely gratifying to hear him given his head. Guitarist Tony Remy, 100, was rewarded for his lucid but funky contributions by some of the warmest ovations of the night, and drummer Gene Calderazzo energised his fellows in the rhythm section, bassist Alec Dankworth and keyboard player Matt Cooper, with a performance of boiling intensity.

brought some good to his British-based

Overall, though, it was Hubbard's bravery and integrity, rather than his own celebrated chops, or those of his band, which were on display to a strongly supportive audience; he is clearly going to have to draw heavily on both qualities both in the upcoming short tour with this

CHRIS PARKER

CABAREL Mulling it over

IF THOSE unfashionable hitmakers Status Quo are persona non grata at Radio I, they can always console themselves with the thought that the Cate Royal seems to be turning into a retirement home for ageing rockers. Just think, in the year 2026 you will probably be able to hear the Gallagher brothers revisit Oasis's glory days before an audience of decorous middle-aged diners.

Following in the wake of Rita Coolidge and the singer

> Denny Laine Cafe Royal

songwriter Dean Friedman. the guitarist Denny Laine, Paul McCartney's old partner, is the latest veteran to take up residence at the Green Room. Three decades after he joined the Moody Blues and 20 years after he co-wrote the maddeningly catchy Mull of Kintyre, Laine is attempting to re-ignite a career which has been in limbo ever since he left Wings, His new album may be

entitled Reborn, its songs may evoke folkie images of a verdant, ecologically sound England, but, on the evidence of this show at least. Laine remains an unrepentant. tight-trousered rocker at heart. When a band includes a long-haired bassist nicknamed "Shaggie", you do not expect chamber music.

In this setting it is, in short, another example of a mismatch. But that is not to say that the show is one long guitar solo, signifying nothing. Laine has a sizeable backcatalogue at his disposal; and when he tones down the volume and softens the harsh edges, you get tantalising glimpses of an artful melodist. Any musician would be proud to have Say You Don't Mind (which became a hit for Colin Blunstone) credited to his

Laine gave his own spirited side-tracking into a sequence of old Wings material, from Listen to What the Man Said to Bond on the Run. Yet with the band pumping out a string of brash rock'n'roll climaxes, his modest voice was inevitably stretched beyond its limits: He sounded much more at

ease whenever the volume dropped and he switched to acoustic guitar. Towards the close, the chords of *Muli* of Kintyre made their inevitable entrance. In a venue as small as the Green Room there was no space, thank heavens, for a parade of massed pipers.

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Hill, the eventual winner, leads Schumacher, Alesi, Berger and the rest of the Formula One field through the opening lap of the Argentine Grand Prix in Buenos Aires. Photograph: Eduardo di Baia

## Flawless drive leaves English challenger 18 points clear of field

# Hill enjoys view from summit

FROM OLIVER HOLT IN BUENOS AIRES

TROUBLE stuck to him like ue last season, but this year problems are flowing around Damon Hill and moulding him into a smoothed stone. If there were bumps and jolts on the uneven circuit here yesterday, he seemed to glide over them; if many of his principle rivals were ravaged by car sickness, he and his haughty Williams-Renault were jauntily immune. Nothing, it seems, is impeding his sprint towards his first Formula One drivers world championship.

Hill made it three grand prix wins out of three this season here at this track on the northern outskirts of the city, sailing home a country mile ahead of his team-mate and closest challenger, Jacques Villeneuve, of Canada. After a metronomically effective race with no alarms, the Englishman is now 18 points out in front in the race for the 1996

world title. He led from start to finish and ended, coasting, more than 12sec ahead of Villeneuve, who is being eased into the role of subservient teammate in the face of Hill's mastery. In only his fourth season. Hill has now won 16 grands prix, the same number as Stirling Moss, and is closing on Nigel Mansell's record of five successive wins at the

start of the 1992 season. Hill was relentless, his Williams-Renault a class above the rest of the field in terms of both performance and reliability. As he pressed on and on, keeping a steady gap hetween himself and his pursuers throughout, the rest of the field simply fell away, as if

Michael Schumacher, initially his closest challenger. was forced to retire after he lost part of his rear wing. He said it had been damaged when part of Hill's car flew off and he had to duck to avoid it. The pursuer's mantle was taken up, briefly, by Jean Alesi, in his Benetton-Renault, but his challenge was ruined when he stalled his car at his second pit-stop. His teammate. Gerhard Berger, also ran second for a while, but he, too, was forced out of the race with mechanical problems.

Hill was unflappable. Even when the lead he had established early on was wiped out because a speciacular crash brought the safety car out and bunched up the field, he eased away effortlessly again. "It is a great day and a fantastic result," Hill said. "It is difficult

Schumacher was forced to retire after 46 laps

to imagine it getting any better than this. The result represents the force that we have at the team and I am very, very

happy."
Hill had made the perfect start from the thirteenth pole position of his career, a beginning that was a match for the near-flawless, controlled driving he had produced all week-end. As Villeneuve was engulfed by a sea of advancing rivals, slipping back to ninth by the end of the first lap, Hill hurtled away from the front of the grid and left Schumacher trailing in his wake.

But the German had driven heroically all weekend, pushing himself and his car to its limits to fashion a lap-time so fast that he started alongside Hill on the front row. He had forced his equipment to the edge of its capabilities so that its nose cone twitched continually as he teetered on the brink of losing control.

The leading positions remained the same after the front-runners made their first round of pit-stops soon after-

wards. But then a race which was threatening to become routine exploded into action with a series of accidents. First, the Forti-Ford of Luca on the 27th lap and flipped

over on to its front. Badoer crawled out unhurt, but his car was left stranded in a dangerous position and the race organisers sent the saftery car out on to the track to slow the rest of the field down. That reduced Hill's lead to a

car-length, but, while the drivers were dawdling round, the engine on the Ligier Mugen-Honda of Pedro Diniz blew up and burst into flames. Diniz spun into the gravel, as burning fuel sloshed around him, and leapt out of the car, also unhurt. When the safety car was

pulled off the track on the 31st lap, Hill pulled away from Schumacher again. By the end

of the 38th lap, he was nearly

#### DETAILS FROM BUENOS AIRES

2, J Villeneuve (Can), Williams-Renault,

For the first ten laps, every-one was transported back to

the Hill-Schumacher duels of

last season. After Hill had

eked out a gap of 0.8sec in the

first two laps, the world cham-pion, who is having to dig

deeper into the reserves of his

ability than ever before as he

rages against being consigned

to a season as an also-ran,

He set the fastest time on the

sixth lap and brought himself

to within half a second of Hill.

He almost attempted a dive

inside his rival on two or three

occasions, but thought better

of it. Schumacher stayed with

Hill as long as he could but

then, inexorably, Hill started

to pull away. By the end of the

seventeenth lap, the English-

man was more than 4sec

clawed his way back.

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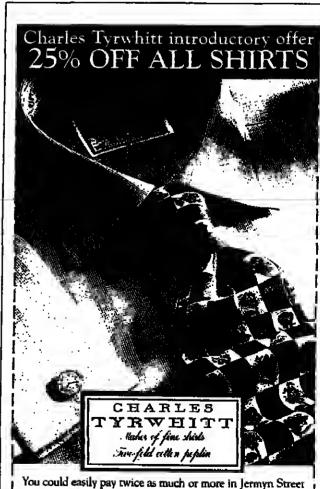
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who was coming under increasing pressure from Alesi. Two laps later, Schumacher pulled into the pits for his second stop, leaving Hill with a 4sec lead over Alesi. Alesi then ruined his chances of mounting a sustained challenge for victory when he stalled his Benetton-Renault in the pit-lane on his own second stop, losing 12sec in the

process Hill was clear in the lead now, his rivals melting away behind him as they seem to have done so far this season. On the 46th lap, it got even better. Alesi caught and passed Schumacher for eighth place, then Barrichello passed him, too. At the end of the lap, clearly in trouble, the world champion pulled back into the pits and retired. He has managed only four points from his first three races.

When Hill emerged from his second pit stop on the fiftieth lap, he had extended his lead over his nearest challenger, Berger, to more than 13sec. Seven laps later, the Austrian's race was curtailed by mechanical problems, too. It was as though any car that dared to get too close to Hill was struck with a curse.

By now, Villeneuve, who was also on the two-stop strategy shared only by Hill, had moved into second place by default, comfortably ahead of Alesi, while Pulsar Alesi, while Rubens Barrichello, who so narrowly missed out on third place in Brazil, had moved up to fourth at the end of the 62nd lap, a fitting reward for his



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## Davies excels at messing about on the river

omeone had clearly lav-ished a lot of care in making it, but they had laboured in vain. We love your tache, Des," proclaimed the home-made banner flying from the roof of the Putney block of flats and I'm sure Des Lynam was very grateful, but sadly — at least for its creator — it was Steve Rider's turn to do Grandstand. Lynam, you see, does the Grand National, Rider does the Boat Race. Worth remembering for next

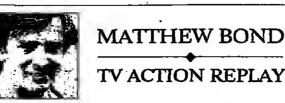
Last year, Rider bravely presented the programme from the Pumey embankment. where he was almost lost in a unruly sea of beer mugs and college sweatshirts. This year, someone had sensibly put him on a boat-house balcony. Here the only real problem he had to contend with was being

dwarfed by his guests. Modern oarsmen, we were repeatedly reminded, are very big indeed. Perhaps the BBC could lash out on a small set of steps for next year.

After an early wobble (up-setting the well-heeled, riverside residents of Putney, Barnes and Chiswick by describing the course as an unremarkable stretch of river"). Rider recovered well and presented the build-up with his normal practised ease, helped by a technical team that could probably get the hairs on the back of your neck standing up before an underfives' egg and spoon race. Rider's knowledge of rowing. however, begins and ends with the Boat Race, as interviews with Steven Rederave

revealed. The BBC man can

probably count himself lucky



not to have been thumped hy Britain's greatest competing

Olympian One of Rider's earlier guests was Chris Ballieu, Cambridge Blue, internacional carsman and now BBC commentator, who dutifully said what he seems to say every year: "We really could be seeing a great race today, perhaps the best for many years." Sadly, the best race we saw on Saturday was a re-run of the 1980 Boat Race. provider of one of the closest finishes in Boat Race

history and the last to be commentated on by the late John Snagge. Oxford held on to win by a canvas, but you would scarcely have known that by Snagge's wonderfully understated commentary. This is an absolutely cracking

Snagge, who died a fort-night ago, was a Boat Race institution. His current successor, Barry Davies, would like to become one and, just possibly, might. Davies, as we

race," marked the high-point

of excitement.

unstinting in his research, unswerving in his devotion to the appropriate literary quote (he managed Wordsworth at both the start and finish of the racel. It is a style that can grate, but it is perfect for the Boat Race, a preposterously old-fashioned event that somehow still flourishes as a national institution.

Anyone can read an oarsman's height and weight off the programme's notes, but it takes the meticulously pre-pared Davies to tell us their histories, hobbies and engaging eccentricioes. A competitor had only to mentioo that his father/grandfather had rowed in the race and the appropriate black and white clip would be wheeled out. It was all very impressive.

The one risk that Davies

does run, though, is that of becoming an insider. It is only a year since his son, Mark, coxed Goldie to victory and his commentary still occasionally carries the stamp of the proud father, anxious to share his new-found technical knowledge with fellow men of the river rather than explain it to those who think a stretcher is something you use to carry off

injured footballers. This rather alienating air of mutual admiration was at its height during the one-sided reserve race, but for the race proper, Davies and team were back at their best helped by some quite superb pictures of the exciong first half of the race provided by the on-board, remote control cameras. It may not have been Liverpool versus Newcastle but it had definitely been the Boat Race.

## McRae struggles in Makinen's wake

COLIN McRAE will want to put the Safari Rally, which finished in Kenya yesterday, behind him as quickly as possible. The Scottish world rally champion, plagued by suspension problems with his Subaru Impreza, struggled throughout the race, including a collision with a 12-year-old spectator on Saturday, and, after finishing in fourth place, complained: "It's not very enjoyable fighting for world championship points in conditions like this. There's too much down to luck here."

The race was the Township to the first terms to the championship points in conditions like this.

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The race was won by Tommi Makinen, of Finland, in a Mitsubishi, bis second win of the series extending his world championship lead. Although Makinen had not been expected to win on his first attempt at the championship's roughest and fastest rally, he pulled away from Kenneth Eriksson, of Sweden, on the last of the three days, surviving a tyre blow-out and a flash flood to beat Eriksson in his

### **Tide turns for Marines**

CANOEING: Mark Phillips and Richard Lewis snatched victory from Phillipe Houttekiet and Bod Dewitter, of Belgium, on the final tidal stages of the Devizes to Westminster race yesterday. Leaving late on Friday afternoon and last of the 130 crews attempting the non-stop doubles race, Phillips and Lewis were placed fourth during the early stages, but, by Newbury, 35 miles into the race, had

secured second place.

Houttekiet and Dewitter had established an early lead of 12 minutes, but, by Teddington, this had been cut to six and, 12 minutes, but, by Teddington, this had been cut to six and, as the crews passed under Westminster Bridge. Phillips and Lewis, of the Royal Marines, had taken the lead and established a two-minute margin. This was Phillip's third victory in succession, paddling with Lewis in 1994 and Tony Alan-Williams in 1995.

#### Doohan riding high

MOTORCYCLING: Michael Doohan. of Australia, right, the world 500cc champion, recovered from his disappointing start to the season by winning the Indonesian Grand Prix yesterday. Doohan, riding a Honda, finished fifth in the Malaysian Grand Prix, the opening race of the championship, last weekend, but made no mistake in Sentul. beating Alexandre Barross, of Brazil, by over 3sec.



#### Prean shows promise

TABLE TENNIS: Carl Prean, the former English national champion, who has had his worst season since becoming an international player, did enough to suggest that he still has a considerable future in the game despite a defeat by Wang Tao, of China, in the last-16 stage of the English Open at Kettering yesterday. Prean, who has suffered from injury and loss of form in recent months, was a convincing winner against Allan Bentsen, a Danish international, oo Saturday, before going out 21-12, 21-14, 21-14 to Wang, the world No 3.

#### Wolstenholme wins

GOLF: Gary Wolstenholme, a member of the Great Britain and Ireland Walker Cup learn that beat the United States last September, made a good start to the season when he won the prestigious Duncan Putter open lournament for the second time in three years at Southerndown yeslerday. A 72golfer, a three-stroke victory over Matthew Ellis, the Wales international, from Wrexham, who, in turn, was three strokes in front of Mark Smith, another Welshman.

#### Lovatt breaks through

CYCLING: Mark Lovatt, usually east in the role of a support rider with the powerful Optimum Performance squad, won the 84-mile third stage of the Girvan three-day race yesterday, with a finishing sprint that defeated David Williams, the 1994 national champion, and Kevin Dawson, his team-mate. It was a demanding day's racing, with three big climbs that tested the riders' strength. Williams starts the hilly 65-mile final run today as overall leader by 37sec

#### Paulus springs surprise

TENNIS: Barbara Paulus, of Austria, right, beat Conchita Martinez, of Spain, the world No 2 and defending title-holder, 7-6, 6-4 to reach the final of the WTA Family Circle Cup at Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, yesterday. Paulus was due to meet Arantxa Sanchez Vicario, of Spain who beat Jana Novotna, of the Czech Republic, 6-2, 6-2 in the last four - in the



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#### Real reach crisis point

FOOTBALL: Real Madrid, six times the winners of the European Cup, are facing the prospect of exclusion from European Cup, are facing the prospect of exclusion from European competition for only the second time in their history. Real lost 1-0 at home to struggling Sporting Gijoo yesterday, leaving them in seventh place in the Spanish league, four points away from a Uefa Cup qualifying section with just expendence remaining Paul consumed position, with just seven games remaining. Real announced yesterday that they will decline any invitation to play in the Intertoto Cup this summer.

## Montgomerie and Woosnam aim for rousing finish

From John Hopkins, golf correspondent, in marietta, georgia

COLIN MONTGOMERIE and lan Woosnam had little chance of catching David Duval, the leader, when the fourth round of the BellSouth Classic got under way at the Atlanta Country Club yesterday, but they were grateful for the chance to hone their games further in a competitive situation before driving to Augusta for this week's Masters, After their third rounds of 68, Montgomerie and Woosnam were on 215, one under par, nine strokes behind.

Duval's nearest challenger was Tommy Tolles, who finished second, level with Montgomerie, in The Players' Championship last week, one stroke ahead of Duval. It was the second week in a row in which these two men have been separated by two strokes after three rounds, but it was Tolles, 29, who led going into the fourth round in Jackson-

Duval had unhappy memories of the final round in this tournament. Four years ago, when still an amateur, he led after 54 holes before falling back to finish equal thirteenth. thanks to a fourth round of 79. "I was intimidated by the position I was in," Duval ready for it, but I wasn't." Tolles is one of the finds of the season. With his dark eyes and short hair, there is an intense, burning look about him. Last year, he was 116th on the money-list; last week,

As Montgomerie has played only II rounds so far this year and Woosnam only 27, neither is what you would call "over-golfed" and further putting practice on greens very similar

to Augusta's was just what the doctor ordered.

"Going early to Augusta and practising there is all very well." Sam Torrance had said on Friday, as he waited to see whether his 36-hole total of 146 would be good enough to beat the cut. "but it's better to be playing competitive golf on a

od course. made the cut, scored a 74 in his third round and added a fourth round of 70 that enabled him to set off for Augusta with a smile on his face, but some of the other foreign players had hardly set

## Sorenstam shares lead

ANNIKA SORENSTAM, the Swede, made two costly visits to the rough but held on lo shoot a one-over-par 73 and share the lead after the third round of the Twelve Bridges LPGA Classic in Lincoln, California.

Sorenstam, who dominated women's golf last year, looked ready to take her first title of the season when she shot 66 for a two-shot lead at halfway, but she was caught by Cindy Schreyer and Barb Mucha at six-under-par 207.

Sorenstam's troubles began on the par-four 7th when her he jumped to third.

Torrance, who comfortably

second shot hit a tree and her third found deep rough off the green. She chipped to ten feet but missed a bogey putt, dropping to six under for the tournament. Sorenstam had more trouble on the par-five 17th when her approach missed the green. She finished with four birdies, three

bogeys and a double bogey. Mucha and Schreyer each took a bogey and a double bogey. Mucha had five bird-ies in her round of 69 and Schreyer had an eagle and three birdies in shooting rounds of 68.

Ballesteros, Alexander Cejka. Sandy Lyle and Costantino Rocca missed the cut. Nick Price, of Zimbabwe, and Ernie Els, of South Africa, who both live in Florida, were five behind and seven behind respectively after three rounds. At last the sun appeared

over his part of the United States, raising the lemperature to something more appropriate for this time of the year. It had been in the nud-forties on Friday and Saturday. "This isn't cold, It's not bad at all," Montgomerie said on Saturday, though there was a knifing wind and rain clouds lurked ominously overhead.

Last year, Slephen Keppler, the former Great Britain and Ireland Walker Cup player. and Jim Gallagher Jr, were tied for the lead after 54 holes, before being swept aside by a strong finish by Mark Calcavecchia.

They saw each other again last week at the start of the tournament. "See you on Sunday, same time, same place," Gallagher said to the Englishman. No such luck for Keppler this year. As Gallagher prepared for his first drive of the fourth round. Keppler was tangling with the 9th and looking, momentarily, like the club professional he is.

His third shot from the left rough flew out of the thick grass, over the green and into more clinging grass which was ankle-high Pitching close out of there to a fast green that sloped away from him was more than Keppler could

His first putt raced past the hole, gathering speed all the time. He missed the ten-footer coming back and, suddenly, he had taken a seven on an uphill par-four hole of 420 yards. Having begun the day at three over par, he had fallen back to eight over and walked towards the next tee without much enthusiasm and sighing



## Nicklaus scores two at par five

HALE IRWIN responded to Jack Nicklaus's first albatross for 31 years with a sevenunder par 65 to take a onestroke lead into the final round of The Tradition in Scottsdale, Arizona, yesterday.

Irwin, recovering from a 76 in the second round when erratic winds forced all but a handful of players over par, matched his opening round to post a three-round total of 200, ten under par. "I guess there was a little act of redemption on my part lo make sure that the 76 was a fluke and the 65 on Thursday wasn't,"Irwin, the 1995 Senior PGA Tour's rookie of the year, said. Nicklaus, the defending

champion, also shot a 65. After finishing first and sixth in two previous Senior Tour events this year, he came out of the pack with a remarkable run over the closing nine holes.

Four-under at the turn, he birdied the IIth, then gobbled up Irwin's lead with two monstrous shots on the L2th hole of the Cochise Course. one of four Nicklaus has designed at Desert Mountain. His 340-yard drive on the short par five left him 159

yards to the flag. He pulled out an eight-iron and landed the ball on the front of the green. from where it rolled into the It was his third albatross -

or double eagle as the Americans term it. The first came while he was a teenager while the second was at the Jacksonville Open in 1965. Nicklaus two-puned from 16

feet on the last hole for his fifth birdie. Raymond Floyd, who won

this tite in 1994, started the final round a shot behind J. C. Snead, who was third on 208.

## Martin retains her crown after outstanding final



BY COLIN MCQUILLAN

MICHELLE MARTIN took her fourth successive British Open squash title at the Cardiff International Arena last night, defeating Sarah FitzGerald. her Australian compatriot, 1-9, 9-5, 9-1, 9-7 in a 46-minute match that was widely regarded one of the best in the 75-year history of the event.

Martin, the No I seed, had to survive a determined fightback from 8-3 to 8-7 by FitzGerald, the No 2 seed, in the fourth game, but then clinched the title with a penalty stroke in the forehand court.

In that counter-attack, FitzGerald produced the same level of fierce driving and tenacious retrieving that took her to a 9-1 completion of the

the end of that game. Martin was making repeated forehand errors to the tin, but, in the second, she took

Australians, who have dominated the women's circuit in recent omes, were one of their great encounters. Three judged by William Winter, the referee.

The third game produced nine

looked all over, but FitzGerald had other ideas, dragging herself back point by point to 8-7.

She survived five match-balls, broke her racket on the floor in frustration after missing a backhand boast that she knew she should have volleyed and finally lost the chance of a fifth game when Winter favoured the champion with a penalty stroke, the delay on which arguably deserved only a let.

Early enterprise featured in both men's semi-finals on Saturday, with Julien Bonetat and Brett Martin each stealing the opening games before falling to the top seeds, Jansher Khan

and Rodney Eyles, respectively. Bonetat, the world No I8, had become the first French semi-finalist in the event with a brilliant performance against Paul Johnson in the quarterchampion by finishing the first game with a disguised forehand short boast that had the normally secure Pakistani sprawling, and surprised him again with a dangerous counter-attack from 12-4 to 12-9 in a single hand of the second, before subsiding 12-15. 15-9, 15-9, 15-6 in 58 minutes.

Martin, the elder brother of the women's champion, finished his first game with a backhand cross-court nick of extraordinary power and accuracy. but was increasingly inhibited from 7-7 in the second game by a leg problem. stemming from an ankle weakened by a collision with Del Harris in the PSA Super Series final two weeks ago. Eyles reached his first British Open final in 41 minutes, 13-15, 15-12, 15-3, 15-

#### Jansher: sent sprawling opening game in just five minutes. At SNOW REPORTS Conditions Rums to te Off/p resort

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immediate control of the court to lead It was obvious then that the two

about to present the Cardiff crowd with early penalty strokes against FitzGerald helped Martin, the defending champion, to take a 7-1 lead in the second game. A penalty stroke less well and a no-let decision at game ball ended FitzGerald's hopes.

minutes of competitive rallying which Martin, rather surprisingly, won 9-1. Martin led 8-3 in the fourth and it

## Bond holds nerve to take final step

By PHIL YATES

NIGEL BOND, successful in only one match at his previous six snooker tournaments of 1996, continued to erase the memory of that abysmal run by beating David Harold 6-5 to reach the final of the British Open in Plymouth yesterday. Bond, a laconic 30-year-old

from Darley Dale, edged Stephen Hendry 5-4 in the last to by holding himself together in a tense deciding frame and it was that quality that enabled him to emerge victorious from an error-strewn contest with Harold. Such a result seemed a

million miles away when Bond, the world No 12, arrived

in the West Country devoid of confidence after first-round eliminations from the Regal Welsh Open, European Open and Thailand Open in recent Yet, while Bond readily admits he is still too prone to

unforced errors, last year's Embassy world championship runner-up was proud of the manner in which he handled the pressure for a deciding frame finish. Bond, fortunate to win the opener on the pink after

fluking the blue to a baulk

pocket off three cushions. led

4-3 thanks to a 62 break in the

seventh frame, but Harold

moved within sight of a place

in today's final against Ronnie

O'Sullivan or John Higgins by dominating the next two.

Producing his best when it mattered most. Bond easily accounted for the tenth frame before pouncing on misjudged safety from Harold in the eleventh with a decisive Bond has lost on his three

prior appearances in the final of a world ranking event and, once again, he will be the underdog against O'Sullivan. the 1994 British Open champion, or Higgins, the title-

Higgins showed his unflapnable temperament on Saturday during a 5-3 quarter-final win over John Parrott. Having walched the Liverpudlian

score 226 unanswered points at the start of the match including a 139 total clearance - Higgins was entitled to be indmidated. However, the Scot rallied with an 82 clearance in the third, took the fourth frame with an 84 break and never surrendered the momentum.

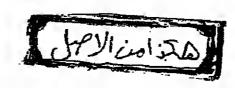
O'Sullivan's challenge was in danger of ending when he had to have a new tip applied to his cue during the mid-session interval of his quarterfinal against Mark Williams. Adjusting quickly, O'Sullivan led 4-3 with a 71 clearance from 54-0 in arrears in the seventh frame before sinking a 61 break in the eighth to seal a 5-3 success.



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## David Miller forecasts testing times as Oxford grapple with inferiority complex

# Story of Light Blue dominance set to run and run

oarsmen may be awaiting the autumn release of True Blue, the feature-film recreation of the 1987 Boat Race triumph over crew mutiny, but Oxford rowing may be facing a worse, long-term

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Cambridge's technical superiority in Saturday's 24-length victory, in the second-fastest time ever, was magnified by Goldie's crushing defeat of Isis in record time in the reserve boat contest that preceded the main event, sponsored for the tenth year by Beefeater Gin. The gulf between the two "schools" is daunting.

The technical mastery shown by Cambridge in both races threatens a period of dominance as long as Oxford's 16 victories in 17 years, under the guidance of Dan Topolski, from 1976 to 1992. Bul Topolski, who returned as Oxford coach last year in an attempt to halt the decline, lost more than a race on Saturday: he lost a theoretical argument.

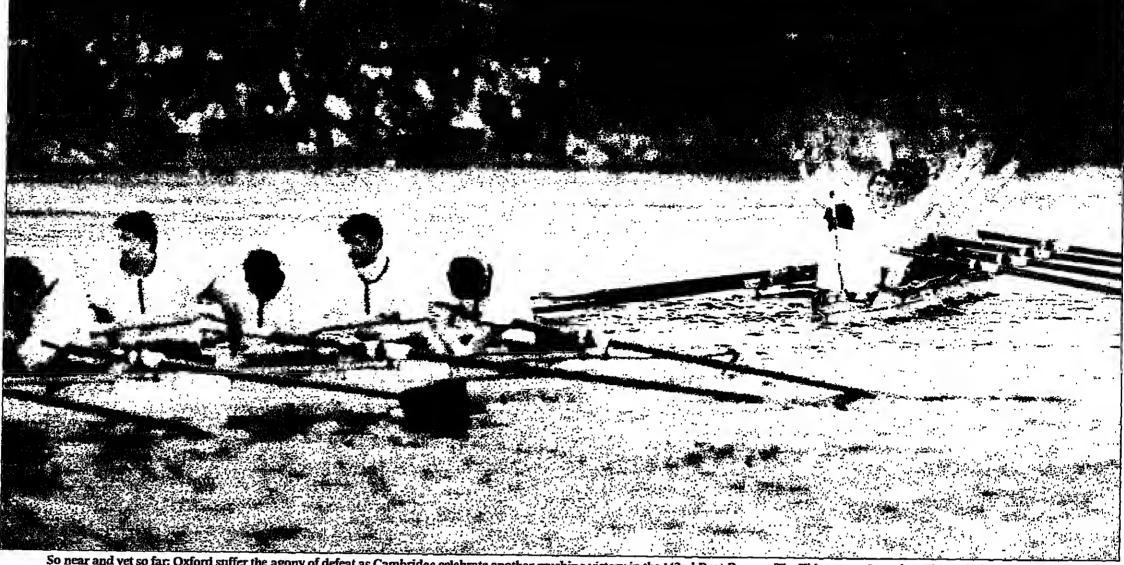
From the layman's view-point, it would be an only slightly harsh analogy to say that while Oxford's boal resembled a line of navvies digging a ditch, Cambridge had the unified rhythm of the first violins in a symphony orchestra. Topolski and his fellow coach, Penny Chuter, know that they will struggle to reverse this superiority.

The story of the race was painted on the faces of the respective strokes. Adam Frost, at 21 years five months the youngest of these men encountering unprecedented pressure, was a sustained picture of heroic agony. James Ball, a month older, was composed from the first, critical, half-dozen strokes and conducted a continual tactical

conversation with Kevin Whyman, the Cambridge cox. "We'd caught glimpses of Oxford in training," Ball said, "and were confident the emphasis on our [blade] finish was the faster. We were intent on being relaxed and loose, not to let rip till Barnes. If you're in top gear too early, you've

nowhere further to go."
The Irony within Oxford's agony was that they were possibly the stronger crew, but because of a slightly inferior tucked position over the oar handle on their finish, did not transfer that power from wat-

"If I felt the catch was going soft," Ball recalled, "I'd tell Kevin and he'd call the crew on the next few strokes. We were trying to retain a rhythm



So near and yet so far: Oxford suffer the agony of defeat as Cambridge celebrate another crushing victory in the 142nd Boat Race on The Tideway on Saturday. Photograph: Marc Aspland

so that the back of the boat doesn't jerk, being 'kind to the boat' as they say. Up to Hammersmith, Oxford kept putting in tens [surges of ten strokes], and I'd communicate to the cox, so that we could retaliate, letting him know their [tide] position."

The unique single-rival intensity of the Boat Race is so legendary that Cambridge revel in the present dominance as gleefolly as did Oxford in recent years past. The Goldie cheers in the press tent at the finish as the Blue boat forged

ahead were deafening. . This introspection tends to make the defeated side blind to are reasoning that their boat failed to find training form, rather than concede the evidence of Cambridge's present

technical advantage. Chuter does concede. "The key was the continuity of five Cambridge men from previous Goldie boats," she said.

"Our performance was gutsy. but the rhythm came and

Sheer physical thuggery is no longer enough. "We're rowing the way contemporary international crews do," Richard Phelps, last year's winning Cambridge president, said. This was a competition between coaches. Robin Wil-

Oxford's football finesse . 26

liams has achieved the same advanced technique as New Zealand and others, always moving the boat.

not very old, they have no managers or agents, the pressures are immense and to come out and row like that

Oxford now have some hard thinking to do. No oarsman attend is going to want the

same experience as Robert Clegg, the Oxford president, who experienced his third defeat in a row. Oxford once exploited the arrival of prominent foreign oarsmen because they were already the established winning university. Life has revolved.

Whyman survived the duel intimidation between coxes down Fulham Reach and into Crabtree Reach at Harrods Wharf, as the stream advanage shifts from Middlesex to Surrey. Five times Todd Kristol, the dimunitive Ameristeering Oxford, was warned by the umpire, but, as Alan Inns, Cambridge's the nature of the race and part

were doing what they had to, never mind the warnings." Whyman held his line into the Hammersmith bend and no amount of tens from Oxford could dent the Cambridge morale thereafter.

of the pressure. Both coxes

## Key may be reserves of strength

ROWING CORRESPONDENT

CAMBRIDGE'S victory in lomin 58 sec puts them into the record books as the equal second-fastest Boat Race crew, behind the Oxford eight that recorded 16min 45sec in

After an overlapping battle for the first five minutes, during which the umpire. Mike Sweeney, was nearly as active with his flags as the crews were with their blades, toss and chosen Surrey, put in a push from Harrods to Hammersmith, which eased them into a crucial lead of two thirds of a length at the

Oxford hung on with Adam Frost, their young stroke, driving them along Chiswick

Eyot so bravely that the deficit was still only just over a length at Chiswick Steps.

The "just over" was vital, though, and gave Kevin Whyman, Cambridge's cox. the steering flexibility to keep the race won, although an indication of the pressure Oxford were under came from Cambridge's four inter-mediate records: the mile to Barnes Bridge (10min 17sec), Hammersmith Bridge to Barnes Bridge (7min 20sec). Chiswick Steps to Barnes wick Steps to the finish (6min

As Cambridge celebrated and Oxford slumped uoder Chiswick Bridge. Sweeney shouted: "Well rowed, Cambridge. Very well raced, Oxford." This was the difference: Cambridge hit a rhythm, even

and Oxford did not. Penny Chuter. Oxford's chief coach, who handed the reins to Dan Topolski for the

last two weeks, summed it up.
"You cannot perform for 17 minutes as individuals," she said. "We dld not find the cohesive and relaxed rhythm which we have had." Both Chuter and Topolski are now two years into their contract with Oxford. Robin Williams, clearly happier, has also had two years with Cambridge and his cur

runneth over. Williams is a perfectionist and smiled on Saturday when he heard "you have got to be happy with that", his squad's catchphrase after outings when they think that they have gone well and he is not so sure. His two Boat Race wins

have been more than matched by his Goldie crews, winners over Isis by 14 lengths in 1995 and II lengths on Saturday. Goldie set a record of 17min 2sec, only four seconds be-hind the Blue boat and three seconds faster than Oxford, although direct comparisons are affected by time and tide differences. Of three intermediate records which they took, one, from Chiswick Steps to the finish, now stands faster

than the Boat Race record. The success of the Cambridge system is perhans due as much to bringing on the reserves as to the two controversial rowing bursaries offered annually. On Saturday, five of the Cambridge crew had emerged from previous Goldie combinations: no one in the Oxford line-up had been blooded in Isis.

He also finished seventh on

Mark Todd, s double Olympic

champion, had a mixed day.

He was placed on both Chess-

man and Dark Angel, but

found himself on the ground

when Vambi Charboniere, the

winner of Chantilly last year.

was too strong going into the

Kristina Gifford, another

Briton and the first to go, also

found herself on the floor

when General Jock, one of her

two Olympic long-listed hors-

es, attempted to bank the

second part of fence nine.

Gifford, winner of a team gold

medal at both the European

and world championships in

the past two years, completed

the course without further

incident and was also clear.

but slow, on Midnight Blue,

on which she incurred ten

Karen Dixon, another

Olympic contender, also had a

disappointing day. She retired Hot Property at fence six and

was then advised by the vet

not to run her two top horses,

Too Smart and Get Smart,

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across country.

show-jumping penalties.

Nicholson's compatriot.

Jagermeister 11.

## Magic of the Maracaña proves out of this world

t started badly, stuck on a bus full of football tourists in the middle of the traffic jam from hell. Half an hour passed, crawling along the road by the side of the Lagoon near Ipanema, another half an hour until we reached the entry to the tunnel under the Corcovado mountain. Above us, the illuminated statue of Christ the Redeemer stared out over Rio de Janeiro and the Maracaña Stadium on the

other side. In the end, though, the mass became fluid and the cars started moving. By then, the 9.35pm kick-off was only a few minutes away, but it did not seem to matter. We were on a pilgrimage, not just a journey in see 90 minutes of football.

This was a stadium we were going to see, not a match Botalogo, the Brazilian champions, versus Corinthians in group four of the Libertadores Cup. the South American club cup, would be a fascinating spectacle, a lesson from two Rio teams in the beautiful way to play the game, but it was the theatre that was important.

From the top of the Corcovado, the Maracaña looks like a giant spaceship fallen to earth. When you get closer, there is a glow in the night sky and a buzz in the air. The black-andwhite-striped Borafogo club shirts are strung along what look like washing lines by the side of the roads.

When you are right outside the stadium, it is too big to be able to grasp its size. It turns the supporters milling around it into pygmies and dwarfs the host of street hawkers. When 3 you get inside the gate, the shivers start going down your spine. You hear the noise from inside, the deafening cheers when the teams run out, the frenzied, constant beat of the drums and, suffusing it all, the low hum of excitement that you get in the Tropics instead of the shrill screams and

coarse shouts of Europe. The scale of the thing only hits you, though, when you slot your plastic pass into a Oliver Holt joins the football pilgrims

at one of the greatest sporting theatres

machine at the top of a ramp, push your way through a turnof liquid on the concrete floor and push your way into your section and into your seat in the lower of the two tiers.

High above us to the left, the stadium almost disappeared into the sky in a vast expanse of empty terracing, but, to the right, it was packed with a jiving, dancing mass, moving almost as one to the drums, chanting and yelling, booing with a ferocity I have never heard before when one of the Corinthians players came over to take a corner.

The newspapers the next day said there were less than 16,000 people in the ground that once used to hold 200,000 and now has a capacity of 140,000, but it was still the best atmosphere at a game that I have experienced.

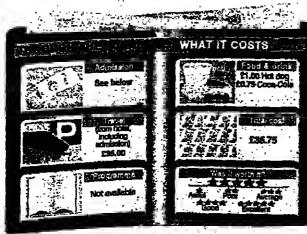
The man next to me in the hard yellow seats, who kept pressing his transistor radio to his ear and then forcing it away in frustration when Botalogo missed another chance, chattered to me constantly. uninterested in the fact that I did not speak Portuguese.

Behind me, some younger men wearing bandannas em-blazoned with the name of the Botafogo centre forward, Tulio, grew apoplectic when a midfielder failed to thread the ball through to him and the attack broke down. Some of the football was breathtaking nevertheless, not a long ball in sight, full of extravagant dragback turns, flicks and one-touch moves. At half-time,

though, it was goalless. During the interval, I bought one Coke for myself and one for the little boy who kept tugging at my sleeve and pointing at his empty cup. My hot-dog may or may not have had something to do with the next day's violent food poisoning. It was either that or the burger at Rio airport.

Midway through the second half, Dauri scored for Botafogo with a falling volley. On the vast upper tier, men with flags hurtled along the terraces, ripping off their shirts, flingthemselves at friends in ing themselves at friends in wild celebration. A minute later, Corinthians equalised and their small group of fans went through the same extrav-

agant ritual. That was how it ended When the whistle went, the chanting stopped and the drums ceased. But if that was what it was like with 16,000 inside, the noise generated by 140,000 must be like something from another world, not just another continent.



#### Hightown set sights on golden opportunity

IT TOOK Tina Cullen just seven minutes to score her seventh goal of the tournament as Hightown drew 1-1 with Rotterdam in the women's hockey European Cup Winners' Cup in Holland yesterday. That one point was all Hightown needed to earn a place in the final today against Berliner. The

Before the competition began, Maggie Souyave, the coach, had warned that only the best would do in Europe - Hightown would not have a second chance to put things right. With Cullen providing the goals, they have not needed any second chances.

She certainly had enough target practice on Saturday, putting away four goals in a 12-0 rout of Libertas San Saba, of Italy, Lucy Newcombe scor-ing three, Trish Maudsely two and Yana Williams, Jackie Crook and Jenny Worthington getting one each as the ltalian side were overrun.

It was not so easy yesterday, with Hightown and Rotterdam vying for a place in the final. A point ahead of the Dutch at the start, Hightown could not afford to let Rotterdam get the upper hand. However, Rotterdam are not as fearsome as the Dutch teams of old. This season, they are battling against relegation in their domestic league while Hightown are chasing their first title

Cullen's goal came from a penalty corner, driven low inside the post. It was enough to give them the edge, but, finding the going tougher after the break, they were caught out by a free hit deflected in by Florein Cornelis after 48 minutes. Hightown's rivals for the gold medal, Berliner, have scored just three goals in the tournament and lost to the Irish club, Pegasus, 2-1 yesterday.

#### Guildford hope for consolation in bronze

BY SYDNEY FRISKIN

GUILDFORD'S hopes of qualifying for the men's European Cup Winner's Cup hockey final were dashed by a 2-0 defeat by Durkheimer, of Germany, in The Hague yeslerday. There remains, how ever, the chance of the bronze medal, which will be decided by today's match against Valdeluz, of Spain.

Needing only a draw to reach the final, Guildford lost the tactical battle after a spiritless first half in which goal. The first, by Williams, was easily blocked by the goalkeeper, Erlewein, and a weaker effort, by Krauss for the Germans, was deflected for a long corner.

After the interval, Durkheimer became more assertive and went ahead in the 49th minute when Bechmann, a member of the Olympic Games squad, scored from the rebound after Priday had saved from Moissl. Hall had two chances to redress the balance, but both shots were deflected, while Kohler shot over the top for the Germans when well placed.

After Cartmell was brought on as a substitute. Guildford pushed forward, but, in doing so, left gaps in defence. With only three minutes remaining, Krauss crowned a solo run with a goal that left no doubt about the result. A minute before the end, Matton, of Guildford, was suspended for a questionable tackle.

On Saturday, Guildford had defeated Bohemians, from the Czech Republic, 3-0, Hall scoring twice and Jennings finding the target from a short corner.

Durkheimer's opponents in today's final will be the host club, HDM, for whom the Holland international defender, Wouter van Pelt, scored three times in a 3-1 victory over

## Fox-Pitt makes most of **Badminton rehearsal**

gold medal-winner at the European three-day event championships last Septem-ber and a leading contender for a place in the British Olympic team, boosted his confidence ahead of Badminion next month when he won his section of the Brigstock horse trials in Northamptonshire yesterday on his home-

WILLIAM FOX-PITT, a team

bred Loch Alan. Fox-Pitt also finished third in section three on Cosmopolitan, his Olympic long-listed horse. The nine-year-old gelding gained the best dressage score of the day (25), a factor Fox-Pitt attributed to recent lessons with Christopher Bartle, the former Olympic dressage rider.

Both horses are entered to make their debuts at Badminton, the main selection trial for the Olympic Games in Atlanta this summer, and Fox-Pitt was relieved to have two good preparatory outings under his belt over one of the biggest advanced courses in the country. "They both gave me a superb ride, apart from one hiccup in the water with Cosmopolitan when I lost stirrup," Fox-Pitt

pean champion and a member of the British team for ten years from 1983, made a triumphant return to top-class

By JENNY MACARTHUR competition with Stanwick and the runner-up, Polly Ghost. They won section one after a flamboyani cross-coun-Clark on Poggio, had only five time faults across country, but five show-jumping faults for Clark gave Nicholson victory.

dons, but yesterday he showed no sign of rustiness. Stark also had a clear round on his Olympic long-listed horse, Mr Mickinnon, on which he was ninth at Burghley last year, but, after collecting 16 faults in the show jumping, did not hurry him on the cross-country.

try round. The 1en-year-old

gelding has had 12 months off

after injuring both his ten-

Andrew Nicholson, from New Zealand, won section three on Cartoon II. Both he



## lan Stark, the former Euro-Gifford: recovered after

fall to complete course

over the show. Another fourth

## Whitaker's final quest

MICHAEL WHITAKER'S last chance to qualify for the Volvo World Cup show jumping final in Geneva rests on the back of the nine-year-old, Magic Carpet. The horse, who has been rested since December's Mechelen Show, needs to leap four places in the points standings to land Whitaker a place in the final in two weeks' time, where Nick Skelton will be defend-

The horse is improving

ing his title.

would do the job nicely," Whitaker said before the final round of the European World Cop League in Gothenburg. Fourth place would be enough for him to join his brother, John, who qualified for the final via his third place in Paris last week.

Di Lampard needs to leap eight places in the standings on Abbervail Dream to strengthen the British presence in Geneva.



## Firm resolve ensures Rangers win argument

By KEVIN McCarra

RANGERS, now unbeaten in six Old Firm matches this season, won not only the Tennents Scottish Cup semifinal, but also an argument that has lingered for months. Some had acclaimed Celtic, who carried to Hampden Park a run of 29 domestic matches without defeat, as the more polished team. Yesterday, though, it was Rangers, particularly through Gascoigne and Laudrup, who glinted.

A late frenzy of anacking by Celtic, in which Van Hooijdonk headed home from Mc-Namara's cross in the 82nd minute and Donnelly twice missed glaring opportunities, put Rangers' victory in jeopardy, but it was deserved all the same. Walter Smith's team will now meet Heart of Midlothian in the final on May 18.

An hour before the game started, the players ambled around the pitch, making the pretence that they faced no more than an afternoon of hands-in-pocket chit-chat. Among them was Gascoigne, distinguished from the rest of the Rangers party by the mobile phone at his ear and

the absence of blazer or tie. His shirt may have been open-necked, but few men ever manage to be unbuttoned in an Old Firm game itself. On this occasion, the anxiety count may have been higher than ever. It was the referee. Les Mottram, who was dependable in those early stages. operating a draconian policy that saw McKinlay and

booked for minor disorders. Only McCall and Cleland,

for the Ibrox side, really deserved their bookings before the interval. Too many play-ers, however, found the fear of a dismissal added to all the other apprehensions that be-In consequence, a typical piece of action would see an elementary pass placed half a yard askew, shattering whatever rhythm there had been. There was scant evidence to

make any deduction whatsoever and only one vivid incident argued that Rangers might again prove the more predatory team. McLaughlin lost possession, after 18 minutes, and Gascoigne angled a pass through the right of the Celtic defence to McCoist. Allowed so much space, the forward almost strolled through and wide of the goalkeeper, but the laconic finish he intended was denied as the lunging Boyd forced the ball away.

That sort of flagrant opportunity was beyond Celtic's capacity before the interval. Although they often enjoyed a territorial advantage, the routines that serve them so well in ordinary matches were proving unreliable here. McKinlay, for example, who unreliable here. created four of his team's five goals against Aberdeen last week, could not gauge his crosses and tended to

overshoot the target or leave Goram with an inviting catch. At their best, Celric have been a finely integrated team and it was significant here that their most stirring moment of the first half was, uncharacter-



McLaughlin, the Celtic midfield player, takes on Cleland during yesterday's semi-final at Hampden Park

istically, an expression of individualism when, after quarter of an hour. Thom whipped a 30-yarder just over the bar.

Team-work was a rare feat, but there were glimpses of it in Rangers' play, particularly when Gascoigne worked his way into position, through a one-two with Durie, before shooting meekly at Marshall. When a goal did come, however, il contained the arbitrary element that exerts such influence in these fixtures.

The faint possibility that Gough, the injured Rangers

captain, might be available had flickered out, but Robertson was back in the team. Haphazard use of the ball can limit his influence, but sheer speed on the left allows the full

back to trouble a defence.

A minute from the interval, he was in an advanced posirion to take Laudrup's through-pass and deliver an angled drive. It may have been running wide, but Marshall dived for the ball, failed to hold it and McCoist stroked it home. It was McCoist's 26th goal in Old Firm matches,

leaving him one adrift of the record held by Jimmy McGrory, the champion of Celtic's cause in the Thirties.

The tone of the second half argued that the Rangers man might advance his tally still further as his team began to relax and relish the space provided by Celric's need to be reckless.

Durie should to have scored after 50 minutes, but blasted Laudrup's pass high. Another piece of insight by the Dane put Robertson free ten minutes later, but his effort was cleared from the line by Boyd Finding the assistance so unsatisfactory, Laudrup added

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the second goal himself, lobbing Marshall after a one-two with McCall after 68 minutes Despite the late resurgence by Celtic, it was Rangers who possessed the unanswerable

## Little's charges proving they have something to shout about

Aston Villa

By MICHAEL HENDERSON

the season ends.

THIS was a more convincing victory than the scoreline suggests and Aston Villa were very much Chelsea's betters. It is often said of teams at this time of year that they have nothing to play for, but Villa's performance on Saturday gave the lie to that. Clearly, they have plenty to say before

It is possible for them to finish third, ahead of Liverpool, although their qualification for Europe through the League Cup means they can rest easy. What is more important for Brian Little, who is building a promising team, is that they continue to grow in an organic way. If he buys wisely this summer and re-tains those players he has already got, they may be strong enough to challenge Manchester United and Liverpool next season.

Villa have been this way before, of course. When they won the League Cup two years ago, beating Manchester United, it was assumed they were on the right road when, in fact, it was the work of a side that bad just one big hit. Little's team is better equipped to face the future and if he adds a centre half and another striker to it, this group of players will be capable of jousting with the

It is unrealistic to expect McGrath to carry on much longer, though he was excellent once again at Stamford Bridge, despite conceding a first-half penalty that Wise allowed Bosnich to save. It was a costly miss. Had Wise scored, Chelsea would have gone two goals clear. Instead, they went to pieces as Villa

took a firm grip. Spencer had put Chelsea in front after seven minutes with

Everton's first goal came via

son. Much of Ferguson's al-

lure is based upon what he

might do as much as what he

actually does. He has a charis-

ma that makes defenders jit-

a crisp shot from the edge of the area and, for the first halfeven if, in the absence of the suspended Haghes, Furlong laboured in attack. Wise didnot achieve much despite niggling in his usual manner and he gave way to Peacock long efore the end.

Villa's equaliser came from Milosevic's head after Wright's shot took a helpful deflection off Duberry. Milosevic does many things well, but too often spoils the general effect by shooting wildly and ignoring teammates in better

Paul Ince will be reconsidering his future in Italy this week after a bitter-sweet afternoon on Saturday in which he scored his first goal for Internazionale and then was the target of racist chants. "I certainly haven't come to Italy to be insulted."
Ince said. Inter beat
Cremonese 4-2 after Ince had opened the scoring.

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positions. Perhans should invest in an English-Serbo-Croat dictionary that includes the word "pass".

Hitchcock, in the Chelsea goal, played Villa on his own the second half, saving splendidly from Milosevic, Yorke and Draper. He could do nothing to prevent Yorke striking the winner after Milosevic, for once, provided a decent pass. Yorke took that chance well and had another productive afternoon. He looks a different player now from the one who struggled to keep down a first-team place not so long ago.

CHELSEA (2-5-2): K Hatchock — M Duberry, A Myers, O Lee — C Burley (sub: N Spacturen, 65mml, O Petrescu, R Gulla, O Wee (sub: G Peacock, 65), S Minto — J Spencer, P Furlong.

ASTON VILLA (5-3-2) M Bosnich — G Charles, P McGreth, U Ehlogu, S Staunton (sub; T Johnson, 24) A Wright — M Eraper, A Lownsend, I Taylor — S Milosavic, O

## Le Tissier enjoys spotlight

Southampton ..... Blackburn Rovers ...... 0

By PAT GIRSON

IT WAS. Dave Merrington. the Southampton manager, said, the hallmark of a highclass player. With ten minutes to go and the club's future in the FA Carling Premiership possibly hanging on the outcome. Matthew Le Tissier stepped up and drove a penalty unerringly past Tim Flow-ers in the Blackburn Rovers

"Now people might understand why I have stuck by him," Merrington said, in a reference to all those doubters - Terry Venables, the England coach, included — who have questioned the quality of one of the most mercurial

talents in the game.
That match-winning penalty was the culmination of a virtuoso performance that upstaged the three Southampton old boys - Flowers, Kenna Dell for a total of £7.5 million.

Le Tissier has always said that he has no wish to follow them unless Southampton are relegated and it was as though happening had galvanised him into a return to form after five months without a goal. His barren spell had

prompted him to give up the captaincy because he thought it was affecting his game, but, with Venison and Hall absent, Merrington asked him to take it on again on Saturday.

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"He just said 'I think it's right for me to do it today"," Merrington explained, "and I thought he was magnificent." Blackburn, the fallen cham-

pions, certainly had no one to match him. Shearer was back after injury, but Southampton, with two full backs, Dodd and Benali, in the middle of their defence and a midfield player. Widderington, sweeping, re-

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B BODDINGTONS. THE CREAM OF MANCHESTER.

stricted him to two chances, one pulled wide after Kenna hit a post, the other blocked by Benali.

a constant threat with his long-range shooting, cunning free kicks and corners and perceptive passing. It was no more than he deserved when he conjured up the goal with a delightful chip over the Blackburn defence. Flowers would probably have beaten Shipperley to it, but Coleman hauled the Southampton man back to give away the penalty.

It would be premature to say that Le Tissier has saved Southampton's season, because their five remaining fixtures include playing Aston Villa and Newcastle United away and Manchester United at home, but at least he has given them hope.

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(sub S Chertton, Zörnin) — M Le Tisser —
G Walson, N Shipperley
BLACKBURN ROVERS (4-4-2): T Flowers
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Colemen, J Kenna — K Gallacher, T
Sherwood, G Pitrord, J Wilcox — A
Shearer, M Newell

Referee: O Eleray.

#### Forest rely heavily on supply of Woan goals

Nottingham Forest ...

Tottenham Hotspur......

BY A CORRESPONDENT

"ALL we are saying," the Forest Forever fanzine implored, "is give us some goals." The four strikers pictured on the cover did not respond to that plea, but the editor left the City Ground content that Nottingham Forest's prospects of a place in the Uefa Cup next season are still

flickering. Over the past week, the club's manager. Frank Clark, has bristled increasingly at speculation concerning strikers in whom he has allegedly expressed interest. Here, Dean Saunders; there, Dean Holdsworth; on Saturday, Bayern Munich's Frenchman, Jean-Pierre Papin. He

denied each emphatically. Nevertheless, his failure to adequately replace Stan Collymore is the single most important reason why Forest will not emulate last season's third-place finish in the FA Carling Premiership. When Woan put them 2-0 abead on Saturday, he joined Roy as their leading scorer with nine

Forest took the lead after 40 minutes through Stone's close-range finish. It was Tottenham however, who had had the better chances previously.

Roy went off with a hamstring injury after the first half and, thereafter. Forest were a busier, more effective unit. When Armstrong rose to head in Sheringham's cross with ten minutes remaining. it was against the run of play. Tottenham have now lost three times to Forest this

season. "Frankly, I wish they'd get relegated," Gerry Francis, the Tottenham manager, said. "When Woan isn't curling free kicks past us from impossible angles with his left foot, he's smashing them in from 30 yards with his right. One day, Woan might re-

veal his secret; perhaps he should tell his own strikers First.

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ing, could be missing, allow-ing Michael Bridges to partner Siewart up front. Reid, who paid tribute to his side's resolve under non-stop second-half pressure, said: We know where we are and what we've got to do. I'm

#### No accident about Bolton's plight today, especially in the first against a team stricken by the half. Football is strange, but we are running out of games."

Bolton Wanderers ......0

A GOAL conceded by your team in the first few minutes of a match is regarded as a disastrous start, so how does it rank when your top scorer collides with your leading player and injures his shoulder before the kick-off, as happened to Bolton Wander-

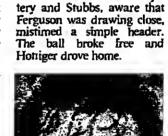
ers on Saturday? During the pre-match warm-up. McGinlay ran into the back of Curcic and, though the Scotsman's apologies were copious, the Serbian scowled gloomily and spent much of the match rubbing the muscles at the top of his arm.

It was ominous to say the least and proof, perhaps, that Bolton and good fortune had finally parted company. After this defeat against Everton, the same could be said of Bolton and the FA Carlinig Premiership, since they are now five points adrift of safety. Everton deserved the win.

kind of lethargy usually brought on by flu - the strain a stroll through the park feel like a hike up Snowdon with Jan Molby on your back.

"I felt we won very comfortably," Joe Royle, the Everton manager, said. "Bolton's first shot on target came only minutes from time. It was very one-sided." He had genuine words of sympathy, too. "I'm sad for Bolton. It makes their task harder. I have a lot of affection for the people there. I think they still have an outside chance, but it is going to be difficult now.

Colin Todd, the Bolton manager, issued the rourine fighting talk, but, on a day when relegation rivals Coventry and Southampton recorded wins, he was explicit about his team's future. "It has got to be four wins from the last four games now," Todd said. Once again, we have a mountain to climb but there is no magic formula. We did not seem to have the passion



Kanchelskis: pace

The goal came during a long spell when Coleman, who would ordinarily have marked Ferguson, was receiving It seemed a curious decision

by Todd not to replace Coleman because it meant his depleted team had to face a vastly superior side for almost a third of the match. Everton continued to dominate a languid game and their second goal came when Hinchcliffe played a ball over the top and Kanchelskis, so far

on, rounded Ward, and effectively sealed the win. Amokachi had one final charge into the Bolton area and steadied himself to repel two timid challenges before

ahead of the pack he might

have been painting the perim-eter fence behind the goal, ran

firing into the far corner. FITING LITTLE LAT COTTAGE.

EVERTON (43-3): N Southal! — M Hotoger, O Wasson, O Unsworth, A Hinchcliffe — A Gran! (sub: J Ebbrell, 80min), J Parforson, B Horne — A Kanchelskis, O Ferguson, O Amolectic BOLTON WANDERERS (4-4-1-1): G Ward — G Bergsson, C Fairclough, S Coleman, J Philips — S Green (sub: F de Fretes, 69), A Subbs. S. Sellars, M Pasteleinen (sub: N Blake, 73) — S Curor. — J McGinlay

## Sunderland close in on top-flight return

BY OUR SPORTS STAFF

SUNDERLAND will move to tion to the FA Carling Premiership if they record their eleventh win in their pass 12 games against Charlton Ath-letic at Roker Park today.

Craig Russell, with his thirteenth goal of the season, put the Endsleigh Insurance League first division leaders ahead after 24 minutes against Barnsley at Oakwell on Saturday and Peter Reid's team clung on to their advantage despite having Paul Stewart sent off for elbowing Adrian Moses just before half-time.

Victory took Sunderland ten points clear of third-placed Crystal Palace, who lost 1-0 at home to Leicester City, and 13 ahead of Charlton, who have a game in hand of the leaders. A sixth straight home win today would leave Sunderland needing three points from their final five games to regain their place in the top flight after a

five-year absence. Russell, injured after scor-

#### desperate to do it and I know the supporters are."

Derby County's win over Oldham Athletic, whose plight was worsened by Reading's surprise victory at Ipswich. moved Jim Smith's side a step closer to the other automatic promotion place. Paul Simpson's penalty proved decisive

at Boundary Park.
Rob Edwards's sixth goal since his £150,000 move from Crewe Alexandra helped Huddersfield Town to a 3-1 home win over Southend and dealt a play-off blow to the visitors. Another came at St Andrew's, Paul Peschisolido scored his first goal since returning to Birmingham City in the 3-1 win over Port Vale.

At the bottom. Watford's struggle looks in vain after a 2-1 home defeat at the hands of Portsmouth had left them seven points adrift of the field and 12 behind 21st-placed Reading with seven matches

In the race to replace them, Swindon Town regained leadership of the second division and need ten points from their last eight matches to be certain of promotion after the 1-0 home defeat of Notts County. Kevin Horlock scored minute from time.

### Beauchamp brings blues to Blackpool

Oxford United .....1 Blackpool ......0

BY NICK SZCZEPANIK

THERE were no takers at the Manor Ground for bookmak-ers' odds of 5-1 against an Oxford double of three points and one Boat Race and long after Cambridge had edged out the Dark Blues, a 0-0 draw still looked the best that Oxford United could expect from a tough, tight game against Blackpool.

Then a spectacular late goal gave the home side a fortunate victory that strengthened their claim to a play-off place and knocked the visitors off the top of the Endsleigh Insurance League second division.

The first half had been a grim affair. Blackpool looking marginally the more composed. The only highlights were a simmering feud between Ford and Quinn and a sixth-minute flurry during which Nixon, the Blackpool goalkeeper, saved from Beauchamp and Robinson in quick succession.

Both teams did better playing towards their own sup-porters after half-time. The visitors had a headed "goal" by Morrison from Mellon's corner disallowed and saw a carbon-copy move bring a superb save from Whitehead before Oxford broke the deadlock after 83 minutes. Beauchamp, who has made a prodigal return to his bometown club after brief and unhappy spells with West Ham United and Swindon Town, swung his foot at a clearance 30 yards out and the ball arced into the top corner

"I wasn't even sure it had gone in when it dropped," Beauchamp said. "I had another look back to check as I was running away to cele-brate. It might be the most

past Nixon's right hand.

important goal I've scored." Sam Allardyce, the Blackpool manager, acknowledged the quality of the goal. "He'll probably never score one like that again," Allardyce said. "I hate losing, but when you've gone down to the two goals we have in our last two games, there's very little you can do. It had to be something special to beat us. We deserved a draw at least on our second-half performance."

Second-half performance."

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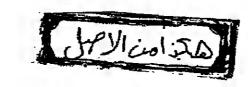
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## Asprilla's flexible assets slow to yield profit for Keegan



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Asprilla: physical gifts

evin Keegan stands before the world accused of the terrible crime of painting the lily, of gilding refined gold, of seeking to improve a team that was ambling away with the championship. The theory is that his purchase of Faustino Asprilla, one of the finest players in the world, was a monu-

mental folie de grandeur. The balance of the side, the theory runs, has been thrown out by the extraordinary gifts of this devastatingly unusual player - and certain-ly, both morally and physically, the team is unrecognisable from the one that produced the triumphalist football of the first half of the season. From 12 points clear of Manchester United to three points

behind; you do not need to be Sherlock Holmes to deduce that something has gone amiss and il, because of one man, a team changes both its shape and its nature, you do not need to scan hard for clues. Newcastle soared effortlessly to

the top on two wings with the impetus for destruction coming from a sleek and sophisocated ballistic missile called Ferdinand, In the hole behind him came Beardsley, of whom more later.

But now Ferdinand plays alongside Asprilla. He is no longer cock of his own walk and it clearly rankles. He is a wholehearted team man, but he does like to be first in the line where attacking the goal is concerned. Some forwards are naturaly half of a pair: Ferdinand is not. In football, as in most aspects of life, creative tension is an oxymoron. The tense partnership of Asprilla and Ferdinand is not, thus far, producing anything in the nature of a combined effort.

Meanwhile, Beardsley was playing on the right of a four-man midfield, which is rather like giving Marcel Proust a job as a librarian. Actually. Proust did have a job as a librarian, but never turned up for work. Beardsley always turns up,

Simon Barnes sees Newcastle keep their hopes

alive with a 2-1 victory over Queens Park Rangers

being a large-souled footballing type, but he began with the most anonymous 45 minutes I have seen

"He was compromised most by the signing of Asprilla and Bany," Keegan said. "I have asked him to sacrifice himself to accommodate them." Newcastle were anonymous all round: gun-shy, jumping at shadows, in desperate need of goals to settle their stomachs.

Ferdinand missed what chances were not saved. He had a grim day, relieved only by his continuous effort Asprilla, however, was rather wonderful. He is a one-off, this man. and I have a theory about him: he is so extraordinarily - and this is not a racist comment - flexible that he makes bizarre body-shapes as he moves. Defenders read bodyshapes, use them to anticipate an opponent's next move. This a process of learning that comes quite instinctively. You begin to learn it in the playground and refine your knowledge with every game you

Yet Asprilla's unusual physical gifts make him almost unreadable. Add to this, breathtaking control, a sharp mind and considerable physical power and you have quite a player. An asset to any team, you would have thought, and certainly Keegan thought so. But, with less than 15 minutes to go, Newcastle were a goal down, for all the shards of magic from Asprilla. Their scason

was a dead man walking. Queens Park Rangers had come Newcastle as bold fighters against relegation, orchestrated by a

promising midfielder by the name of Wilkins. They took the lead when Hollaway charged through to wallop a deflected cross into the net.

If Newcastle salvage the championship from the wreckage of Keegan's vaulting ambition, they will look back to four minutes of perfect inspiration from the demoted, sacrificial and out-of-position Beardsley. At half-time, Keegan had told him that he was playing too deep, taking his responsibilities as a midfielder 100 reverently.
Thus he was on hand when Ferd-

inand, passing the test of character set him by a poor personal perfor-mance, robbed Impey, who was messing about on the edge of the six-yard box. He squared the ball for Beardsley's exuberant finish. If you thought that was good, wait

for the punch-line. Four minutes on, Beardsley seemed to explode - the man is a genius when the fit is on him. Bursting into the box, past two players, he produced a shot, devastating and acute, a soaring flight of perfection that hit the side of the net after singeing both upright and bar.

In a nanosecond, optimism returned, self-belief was back - hut for how long? And anyway, it should never have departed. With Keegan's restless need for change, Newcastle are still an unstable side, an over-

egged pudding of excellence. The trial of Keegan, the great lilypainter, was adjourned on Saturday, ft resumes this evening at Blackburn Rovers and final judgment is not expected for four weeks. We have, I hope, a great deal more to hear from the principal witness, Asprilla. Does he appear for the defence, or the prosecution. I

NEWCASTLE UNITED (4-4-2) S Histop — 5 Watson, O Peacook, P Abort, J Berestond — P Beardsley, R Lee (sub. K Gallespe, 66mm). O Barty. O Grock — L Fertimand, F Asprilla QUEENS PARK RANGERS (4-4-2) J Sommer — O Bardsley, S Yares A McDomaid, R Brovett — A Impey, R Williams, I Hoftonay, T Sinclast — D Dichio (sub M Hoteley, 76), K Gallen

## Leaders stand firm under pressure to thrust City back into danger

## United emerge stirred but not shaken

Manchester City ......2 Manchester United ......3

IT IS hard being a Manchester City supporter, never more so than in games against United. On Saturday, true to form, City twice came from behind to bring their supporters into triumphant voice, but each time it served only to shake United out of

BY PETER BALL

their complacency. City have not beaten United for nearly seven years. They might have ended that record on Saturday, as they battered the FA Carling Premiership leaders for long periods in the second half, with Peter Schmeichel much the busier goalkeeper.

"Schmeichel had to make three or four great saves, compared to Immel, who was unemployed in the second half," Alan Ball, the City manager, said. "It is so disappointing to have played so well but got nothing. It's the third time we've played them. They've all been great games and all been very close. One day in the near future we'll. turn them over. Let's hope it's next season, in the same

Therein lies the rub. While United's win leaves them in pole position in the Premiership race. City's defeat leaves them going to Selhurst Park to meet Wimbledon today with relegation still hanging over

Judged on this performance, it would be easy to say that City are too good to go down. "We're a new team coming together." Ball said. "Once we get out of this problem, we'll be miles stronger for what the players have been through this season."

Yet, in the short term, a new team coming together is not the ideal recipe for survival in the relegation dogfight, although Kavelashvili, the latest import at the most cosmopolitan club in the Premiership. made a dramatic impact in his

first game. The Georgian scored the first equaliser after United had dominated the first 35 minutes with embarrassing ease, and forced Schmeichel to a painful block with his face in the opening minute of the second half. That could have changed the game," Ball said. It was a fantastic strike. Schmeichel didn't know anything about it."



Schmeichel spreads his wings as Kavelashvili, scorer of City's first equaliser, goes for goal at Maine Road. Photograph: lan Stewart

That did rather less than justice to United's goalkeeper, but United's winning goal. after Rösler had come on to score City's second equaliser. suggested that it takes time for a team to gel, Nigel Clough and Nicky Summerbee's misonderstanding presenting Cantona with the ball to send

it still took a sensational shot from Giggs, whose leftfoot drive flashed past Immel into the roof of the net from a narrow angle, it confirmed that, for all City's enthusiasm and pressure, United could step up a gear whenever they wanted to, putting City's selfpity in perspective, as Clough

"They have got so much firepower — as soon as you surrender possession, they have Cantona, Giggs, Butt, Keane and Cole all breaking at you," Clough said. "They have such tremendous pace and power. We have got fighting spirit, but we gave goals away at bad times." If Clough and Summerbee were to blame for the third goal and Summerbee for the rash tackle on Irwin which gave United a flying start with Cantona's penalty, the central defence took the blame for the second as Cantona's perfect pass sent Cole through to beat Immel with a sureness of touch that

recalled his Newcastle days. As Kavelashvili had scored his goal moments earlier, the riposte was stunning. "I was disappointed in the second goal, we defended so deep from the start of the move."

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That was the reality. Only United's carelessness in the first half enabled City to turn it into a contest. United had dominated possession to such an extent that it was hard to believe it was not an exhibition match. When they needed to, they showed the confidence of

champions. They played better than Newcastle did here," Immel said. They are a benter team - a side full of good players They created five chances and scored three, that's the important thing."

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**Evans surveys** 

BY ALYSON RUCO

WEDNESDAY night against Newcastle United, Liverpool were a luxury liner, all string quartets, evening dress, table-top ice carvings and seamless magicians. Oo Saturday, they hit Highfield Road and became the flotsam and jetsam of Premiership also-rans.

"It probably puts us out of it." Roy Evans, the Liverpool manager, said, reflecting on victories for Manchester United and Newcastle United, on Harkness's broken leg, on a miserly amount of injury time and, most important, on a poor performance.

Fowler has proved he can lift his game for the big occasion, but clearly he could not convince himself that Coventry City were worth the special touch. His best chance, having snatched at several long-range efforts, came at the end when he was left with only Ogrizovic to beat. Ogrizovic, formerly on Liverpool's books. blocked the shot and a few seconds later the referee blew the final whistle.

Furious indignation was etched over the faces on the Liverpool bench, which had been almost relaxed in confident annicipation that there were at least another five minutes of the game left. It had been a match littered with lengthy stoppages and the least Liverpool deserved after losing Harkness was the com-

pensadon of injury time. Salako had just replaced Ndlovu and, thrown into a contest frothing with pressure and anxiety, jumped over the ball and into the Liverpool defender. "It's one of those things that happen and I feel really bad about it." Salako. whose own career was interrupted by a serious knee injury, said. Salako, booked for the incident, believed he took the ball. He was mistaken and Evans thought he should have been dismissed.

"These days you get a yellow card for kicking the ball away, you get a yellow card for breaking somebody's leg," the Liverpool manager said. "It doesn't look sensible to me." So the cup of excuses runneth over, but, as Evans acknowledged, the FA Cup

crossing to the far post, where Whelan stretched to beat James. Dublin could have doubled their lead but for an excellent stop by the Liverpool goalkeeper and, there-after, Coventry soaked up Liverpool pressure, intercepting countless second-rate passes and applying uninterrupted concentration. Daish was outstanding - he is the same height as Collymore but dwarfed him on Saturday. Ron Atkinson, the Coventry

manager, planned for Liverpool's visit meticulously. If today his surveillance finds



Manchester United's weaknesses, Coventry may yet escape relegation.
On their day, few would argue that Liverpool play the most attractive and penetraove, football in England, but when performing somewhere short of their best, they quite quickly, unlike Manchester United, let the opposition have

a peek at any frailoes. As Atkinson pointed out. Liverpool were tired, emotionally and physically, but it is rare for so much to be wrong with them and usually a manager would be quite glad. in a way, for it all to go awry at once rather than creep into several matches. But at this stage of the season, the oming

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## Entertainment down the tube despite promising platform

Wimbledon ....

BY RUSSELL KEMPSON

IT STARTED promisingly and then ground to a halt. The trip to Upton Park, that is, on the day that London Underground ceased to function. Being stranded in a tunnel is not the best way to prepare for an Easter Saturday of supposed leisure and pleasure. but at least the kick-off was delayed to accommodate most

of the late arrivals. It started promisingly and then ground to a halt. The match at Upton Park. that is, on a day when neither side : functioned properly. Goals in the opening ten minutes from Dicks and Jones, those shaven-headed warriors, augured well for an FA Carling Premiership encounter of linle

initial appeal. That was about it, though. The rest was like being stuck on the tube, with the train starting and stopping every couple of minutes. Hope fol-lowed by frustration; optimism by despair. In the end.

you were just glad it was all over - and could leave the carriage or ground for alternative delights. For West Ham United, it is unusual to have nothing to fight for in April. No perennial struggle, no angst-ridden closing minutes. Just mid-table security: what

Harry Redknapp, the West Ham manager, made a vain attempt at enlivening the innocuous proceedings, but even he failed miserably. A few obvious observations, a few jolly jokes and a concluding: What more can I say about

For Wimbledon, a point edged them nearer Premiership salvation and, apparentvindicated what Joe Kinnear, their manager, has been saying all along. Relegation? "What a load of nonsense," he said. "Everyone has mentioned it but it's something we've never really talked about. We never get credit, no matter who we play or how we

Dicks and Jones shook hands at the start, captains if not marvels, and set the tone. Dicks, now without a booking

powered in the firmest of headers after only seven minutes. Three minutes later, Jones drove in the equaliser with the aid of a deflection Not so fortuitously, he was later cautioned, for the first time in 12 appearances, for accidentally clipping Slater's ankles. More a yellow card for Paul Durkin, the referee.

Try as the players might, it may have been better for many spectators had they saved their taxi fares from various parts of London. Apart from Miklosko's save from Holdsworth's free kick and Sullivan's breathtaking leap to deny Hughes, the game meandered nowhere in particular. Redknapp, happy and calm,

bade farewell, while Kinnear, defiant to the end, sensed survival. They had reason to be satisfied. At least they had guaranteed transport home. BUAL ALICECT L'EXISPORT NOTILE.

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## Coventry aiming for repeat performance

BY PETER BALL

RECEIVED wisdom suggests that results on Saturday mean the FA Carling Premiership is a two-horse race again, yet if Covenity City, after beating Liverpool on Saturday, can repeat the treatment to Manchester United at Old Trafford this afternoon and Blackburn Rovers upset Newcastle United this eve-

ning, that could all change. The most likely outcome, though, is that Manchester United's hold on the lead will be strengthened. The "immotable law of the ex" suggests that Dion Dublin should score for Coventry this aftermoon and it would fit romantic notions for Ron Atkinson, the Coventry manager, to gain three points in his team's bid for safety at his old club.

Even with Steve Bruce unlikely to play for the leaders, though, it is asking a lot for Coventry to beat two of the top three in the space of 48 hours. Newcastle have the harder task at Blackburn, who are formidable at Ewood Park -

only Manchester United,

Spartak Moscow and Liver-

pool have won there this

season - and are still making brave sounds about qualify ing for Europe. A draw would normally be a good result for Newcastle, but if Manchester United win, the pressure will be on them to follow suit. At the bottom of the Pre-

miership. Coventry and Southampton gave them-selves a little leeway with home wins on Saturday. Like Coventry though, Southampton have a difficult task today away to Aston Villa, while Bolton Wanderers have to beat Chelsea at Burnden Park to keep even a flicker of hope alive. Queens Park Rangers, who went down so bravely at Newcastle, need three points

from the visit of Everton. Manchester City have drawn the short straw, a visit to Wimbledon - just what you need after a draining. desperately close defeat in a derby. Dean Holdsworth testified that his team need one or two more wins to be safe. If they get one this afternoon, City's light will be dimmed, if not extinguished.

## Peace accord leaves Wright free to make No 1 record

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BY KEITH PIKE

AFTER the match of the decade, the match of the decayed. Within three days of Liverpool and Newcastle Utited demonstrating how breathtaking the sport can be. along came these two football dinosaurs to extinguish the euphoria. Martin Keown was, by some distance, the man of the match. Enough said.

Yet if Ian Wright's second, decisive goal two minutes into stoppage time came too late to resuscitate an FA Carling Premiership fixture that lived on brawn and died of boredom, the player himself at least provided an eloquent epitaph. An hour after the supporters who worship him had left Highbury on Saturday, Wright made it clear that he wants to finish his career

At 32 and, in his view, with three or four years left at the ton - "I feel fit. I live clean and I don't drink 'til all hours in Form guide, page 24 | the morning" - Wright was

blame for the rift that developed between him and Bruce Rioch, the Arsenal manager, and culminated in a transfer request being submitted, and rejected, six weeks ago.

prepared to take part of the

Upset by Rioch's criticism of his training-ground antics and forced to play as a lone striker earlier in the season, Wright asked for a move "on a point of principle". It had, he said,

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helped to clear the air. "Sometimes you do and say things that you regret later, but everything has been much better since. We have agreed to disagree." He now accepts that Rioch is doing a very difficult job "extremely well" and that his criticism had not made that job any easier. Wright wrong as well as wronged, on his own admis-

"I don't want to leave and deep down I think I will be an Arsenal player next season."

playing anywhere else. I realise how lucky I am to be a professional footballer and at my age it makes you appreciate it even more." This was a changed Ian Wright, and an improved model. If he does stay, Wright is

surely destined to become the most prolific goalscorer in Arsenal's history. His two goals against Leeds - a typically alert close-range lunge to win the lead, and a shot on the turn to win the match - took his tally to 142, third in the alltime list behind Cliff Bastin (176) and John Radford (149). Hopefully, I am going to finish my career here and ride off into the sunset with that record," Wright said.

For all the sterile, mistakeridden monotony of the match, Leeds deserved a draw, even if their goal deflected past Seaman by Deane's midriff from Speed's harmiess shot — was a fluke. MATSHINES SINCH — Was a INUKE.

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#### GUIDE TO TODAY'S PREMIERSHIP MATCHES

ASTON VILLA v SOUTHAMPTON

10-year record: 0-0, 3-1, —, 1-2, 2-1, 1-1, 2-1, 1-1, 0-2, 1-1.
Form: Southampton's tradition of getting points at Villa Park seems less likely this year. Villa have dropped eight points from their last for games, compared to the Southampton's 22 in the same pentod. Southampton played their get out of jail card on seturday, however, when La Tissier brought his 20-match spell without a goal to an and. Key players: Yorke (16 goals), Milosevic (12): La Tissier and Shipperfey (12 between them). BLACKBURN V NEWCASTLE

BLACKBURN V NEWCASTLE

10-year record: —, —, —, 2-0, 0-1, 3-1, —, 1-0, 1-0.

Form: Newcastle's season may rest on this figure. Kevin Keegan will be evere of the hurdes facing Newcastle — poor record at Ewood Park, one pont from their last lour away games, champions versus pretenders — but Backburn have lost five of their last eight. Good chance of a goal glut, Key players: Shearer (28 goals), Ferdinand (23), Beardstey (7).

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BOLTON V CHELSEA
10-year record: No fourses
Form: Omnously, the sides last met in a league mater at
Bunden Park in May 1983, just before Botton dropped into the
old second division. Chebea have taken three points from their
last five games, but Botton's three wins from their last five games, but Botton's three wins from their last six may
be too take, too last Key players: Curice and Selfars (5 goals
between them). Spencer and Guilti (13 between them).

LEEDS v NOTTINGHAM FOREST
10-year record: — — — — — 3-1, 1-0, 1-4, —, 1-0.
Form: Leeds are smaring from Saturday's Highoury robbery,
Forest chapper after summing Totherham; a difficult contest to
predict, therefore, Key players: Deane (7 goals); Stone and
Woan (10 between them)

LIVERPOOL v WEST HAM

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10-year record: 3-1, 1-0, 0-0, 5-1, ---, ---, 1-0, ---, 2-0, 0-0.

Form: West Ham's last wan at Antied came 32 years ago, but they have dropped just three points in their last five matches. Liverpool, whose little hopes stamped with Seturday's deteat at Covertry, could respond with a rush of goals, or merely go through the motions with Wembley on their mardie. Key playwis: Fowler [27 goals], Collymore [12, Dicks (9).



MANCHESTER UTD v COVENTRY

10-year record: 2-0, 1-1, 1-0, 0-1, 3-0, 2-0, 4-0, 5-0, 0-0, 2-0.

Form: That one blemesh on Unded's ten-year record is all the encouragement. Covertry need after their united select of Liverpool: United's 11-match uniteation run and title aspirations could again be tested by Rcn. Adectors scrappers. Key players: Cole (11) goats, Centone ;10, 5 in last 5 garnesi: Dublin (14), Whisten (8) QPR v EVERTON

OPR v EVERTON
10-year record; 3-0, 0-1, 1-0, 0-0, 1-0, 1-1, 3-1, 4-2, 2-1, 2-3.
Form: A healthy home record against Everton and five points from their last three home games should feature in Ray Wilder's Ratte to his Oueris Park Rangers team. Everton's foreign legion-has experienced just two deleasts in its last 15 to 15 t foreign legion-has expenenced just two deleats fotures, however, and has a habit of unitinging sha Key players: Dichio (10 goals); Kanchelsios (12).

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10-year record: —, 0-0. —, 1-0, 1-1, 2-1, 0-1, 1-0, 2-0
Form: A single win at Vintraecon is heardly the ideal post-me-up
for Manchester Ct; ether that deby deflacin, especially as
Wintbledon's escales committee has put together a threematch unbeaten run. Bod' teams are desperate for points,
suggesting a dour struggle, as Azin Bad, the Cty manager,
said: Don't bring the ricks to this one." Key players:
Holdsworth (10 goals), Guitti (9)

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Desailly, the AC Milan midfield player, clashes with Casiraghi, of Lazio, during

their Italian league match which was a 0-0 draw. Photograph: Carlo Fumagalli

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Defending champions refuse to out about try creative approach

THE great debate concerning English rugby's future has tended to overlook one important aspect. Whatever the eventual financial arrange-ments off the field, it is

BY PETER BILLS

thems on the field, it is ultimately the product itself that will determine the success or failure of club rugby. In a week in which football produced a club match between Liverpool and Newcastle United of memorable skill nace and invention rugs. skill, pace and invention, rugby union needs to reflect on how it intends to deliver similarly exalted levels of entertainment. This match, for example, was a classic illustration of how English rugby has become bogged

In a professional sport, grim wars of attrition like this are not what the sponsor and television companies have in mind. Coaches and players who indulge in such mindnumbing contests risk the eventual financial demise of their clubs. English football at the top level has learnt this lesson; rugby has yet to do so. The influx of foreign talent has transformed football's FA Carling Premiership, It is

Carling Premiership, It is becoming clear that rugby needs exposure to a similar inspiration from both players and coaches. The creative work that a leading world coach such as Bob Dwyer could do with a club like Leiester is badly needed. Considering that they are defending that they are defending champions and next month's cup finalists, a club with a proud reputation and a rich history of entertainment, Leicester are failing rugby as a whole.

Brian Campsall, the referce, was at his wit's end trying to apportion blame for the constant scrummage col-



Dallaglio: inspirational

lanses. These have become a blight on the English game. Leicester again relied totally on Liley's kicking to grind out another win. He landed four penalty goals, after Malone's early dropped goal, before Malone departed with an ankle injury that allowed Liley to move up to stand-off half and kick even more.

The tasty option of Underwood at full back as a strike runner into the line was employed just once and it took a marvellous corner-flag tackle from the inspirational Dallaglio to prevent a try. Otherwise, there was no semblance of creative running or back play.

Wasps were no better in that respect. Gomarsall is nowhere near the talent many had forecast and, like Gregory, kicked poorly. Neither pair of halves could launch their backs, so the game stuttered along, with nobody able to develop it further. All Wasps' sterling efforts up front in bravely taking on a formidable Leicester pack, albeit missing Richards, and giving them plenty to think about went to waste.

The climax to the match was revealing. Leicester's 12-3 lead with Liley's fourth penalty shrank to 12-9 through Gregory's second dropped goal and first penalty. Another Liley goal made it 15-9, but Wasps stormed back and their opponents were caught offside in the 22.

With three minutes remaining and a converted try sufficient for victory, Wasps had a marvellous attacking position to go for the winning score. Asionishingly, Gregory kicked the penalty and Leicester escaped.

Rob Smith, the Wasps coach, defended the decision and added: "Besides we hadn't really looked like sooring a try in the previous 77 minutes." Precisely.

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## Bath subdue Harlequins to enhance championship chances



## Stirring struggle points way ahead

Harlequins..

BY DAVID HANDS RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

ON ONE point, at least, both clubs were agreed. This was the kind of ambitious approach and fluid game that, if club rugby in the northern hemisphere is to mean anything in comparison with the provinces of the wake will follow the commercial. spin-offs to fund the professional

game. Thereafer comes the parting of the ways. Bath, first in the Courage Clubs Championship, showed a precision and playing intelligence that Harlequins - second in the table before this match at the Recreation Ground - have yet to come near. The positive side for the London club is that they have the resources and

desire to do so. Ostensibly, this was the game in which Bath's charge towards a sixth league title might have faltered.

Instead, it drew from their players, in

the second half, the best rugby they have played all season — and that is saying something. Rather than a close-run contest, it became a record league victory over Harlequins by a margin that might have been greater but for two stunning tackles in the first half and a curious reluctance by the Bath forwards to free more ball in the dying moments.

This is what Bath players, and others from outside the club, seek to be part of. It is Bath's biggest players as Ben Clarke are linked with Richmond, or Nigel Redman with Moseley, they must first pause to consider what they would leave behind: the tradition of victory, the esprit de corps, the forward-thinking management offered by John Hall, Brian Ashton and Ged Roddy.

"I feel extremely positive that we will keep most of our squad," Hall, the team manager, said. There is talk about Ben and I would like him to make a decision fairly quickly." Should the England back-row for-ward depart, Bath are in the happy position of having Eric Peters, Scotland's No 8, who played what one game for the club on Saturday.
In fact, Bath were caught cold by a Harlequins side that has racked up the points in recent league games and possesses the confidence to play a wide game. The schoolboy curtain-

raiser denied both teams the chance

to warm up properly and, within 15

Results and tables ... minutes, Harlequins had scored two tries but also demonstrated vividly

the essential difference between themselves and Bath. Watson, outstanding at No 8, won possession to create the base for a

glorious 70-metre attack during which Harlequins nearly managed to waste a three-to-one overlap before Challinor collected a bouncing ball to score. In piecing together their first try, Bath left nothing to chance: the half-break by de Glanville, the support from Peters, Robinson, Callard and Dawe, the finish by Sleightholme — all clinical and absorbing to watch.

"We understand where we have to improve and it endorsed our thoughts about the team's performance this season," Dick Best, the Harlequins director of rugby, said. Bath are the best, by a long way. They saw where we were good and possession dried up. They were

brutally effective." To such a degree that Harlequins scarcely won a second-half lineout, received only five penalties in the entire game and were constantly on. From an inter val lead of 15-9, they conceded 32 points. Bath having responded so well to the half-time message from Ashton, their coach, to play more

direct rugby. We have talked all season about being at our best when we go directly at the opposition," Ashton said. "We had a long, hard look at ourselves after the cup semi-final with Gloucester, when we lost our way in terms of Harlequins had to endure the judicious mix of a superb midfield, strategic kicking and powerful tight loose play from the forwards which asked far too many questions.

for the game," Best acknowledged. "Going into the professional era, that's how we have to play, sides willing to run the ball but with a high skill element." Injuries removed two of Harlequins' most effective players Allison, with a bruised back, and Challinor, with a cut knee - but their presence would have made no differ-

"It was a brilliant advertisement

ence to a side denied possession. Bath drew level through Callard's fifth penalty and crowned their high endeavour with late tries through de Glanville and Guscott, both the product of precise passing and constant support. With games against Gloucester (away), Saracens (home), Orrell (away) and Sale (home) to come, who is to stop them now?

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(69) Referee: J Pearson (Durham)

## Gloucester continue fight for safety in

Gioucester .

(RFU) press conference tomorrow may shed some light on the make-up of the Courage Clubs Championship first division next season, but do not count on it. More likely is that the RFU will declare its intention to preside over a tenteam top flight. The leading clubs, who prefer t2, will object, flex their collective muscle and the present farcical uncertainty will continue awhile yet. Gloucester will then entertain Bath on Wed-nesday night still not know-ing whether they are fighting

for their first-division lives. Playing Bath is not much fun at the moment, as Harlequins, Gloucester's hosts this Saturday, will now attest. Nor does Richard Hill, the direc-tor of coaching at Kingsholm, enjoy playing the team that has just met the league leaders and champions-elect. The fixture list has decreed that that should be the tot of Gloucester this season - to meet Bath's most recent vic-

tims in their following game. So Bristol on Saturday, like Wasps the week before them, took oo Hill's team doubly determined to get the previous drubbing out of their system. "When Bath have thumped someone, we have to play them the week after," Hill said, "It has not been

easy following them."
In Hill's words, therefore. Bristol "were up for it" and, indeed, they scored the game's only try after 13 minutes, when Fenwick caught and unwisely tried to unload a high ball outside his 22. Bristol retrieved possession and Bracken speedily found Maggs, who passed to Thornas, who fed Gavin Sharp and the wing managed to squeeze



Bracken: created try

over in the corner despite a tackle from Peters. Bristol and Gloucester have been playing each other since 1892. The programme said this was one of the highlights of the season, that these games are always special. Sky Television's programme plan-

ners presumably hoped so too. They were wrong. "The aim of today was to win," Hill said. "If we had lost today, that would have been it, but I have to say I didn't think the game would be that

Brian Hanlon, the Bristol coach for a few more weeks, blamed indiscipline and unforced errors for the sorry spectacle, "Gloucester kicked their goals and that is what

they won by," he said. "I didn't think they looked like scoring a try."

Mark Mapletoft suffered badly in the Pilkington Cup semi-final defeat by Bath on his return from injury last month. He came off the bench to replace Fenwick on Saturday with 30 minutes left, after the Gloucester full back had damaged his ankle, and

Mapletoft it was who kicked two testing penalties in the last ten minutes to take Gloucester from 14-12 down to an 18-14 victory. "It's good to see he has got his nerve back," Hill said. So the fight to avoid relegation, if it is more than a

phoney war, goes on. Bristol and Saracens are now just two points ahead of Gloucester and the match between Gloucester and Saracens at 5 Kingshoim in three weeks' 4 time looks increasingly like a decider. Or not. "It would be nice to know

one way or the other," Hill said. Hanlon added: "We have got to assume the worst is going to happen and prepare accordingly, but there is no justification for this uncer-

SCORERS: Gloucester: Dropped goal: Kirriber: Penalty goals: Fernick (3), Mapletott (2), Bristol: Try: G Sharp. Penalty Mepletott (2). Bristot: Try: G Sharp. Pernaity goelas: Thornes (3) GLOUGESTEP: G Fernuck; M Peters. D Curminas, M Roberts, P Holford; M Kimber, S Benton: A Windo. P Greening, A Deacon. P Glawille, R Fidier, O Sitra, A Stanley, C Raymond Fernwick replaced by M Mepletoth (Smrin); Fidier replaced by G Gotson (76). BRISTOL: P Hull; P Breeze, S Martin, K Meggs, G Sharp: A Thornas, K Bracken; A Company of Countaine, M Cony, E Rollot, J Pearson. Fourtaine, M Cony, E Rollot, J Pearson.

## Northampton set high standards

Northamptor:... Newcastle...

By Alison Kervin

THERE were more internationals fighting for victory in this Courage Clubs Championship second division match than there were in any other games bar one on Saturday. Only the first division top-ofthe table match between Bath and Harlequins could offer more than the 13 internationals on duty at Franklins Gardens.

The strong cast was a bonus for the 7,500 spectators who revelled in some outstanding rugby, but the match itself had no bearing on the fate of either of the two sides. Northampton's season of annihilating every other team had already secured them the divisional championship and Newcastle had managed to push themselves off the floor of the table, even though this year, thanks to league restructuring, there is no relegation. Northampton are definitely going up; Newcastie are definitely not

going down. Nevertheless, the match was important because of its implications. Newcastle are the new boys on the block; new money, new players, new optimism and, on Saturday, after having the team together for just a couple of weeks, the chance to prove themselves against the best team that the second division can offer.

Northampton, meanwhile, are all set to reclaim their rightful place in the top flight after a relatively easy year. Facing a Newcastle side boasting almost as many interna-

tionals as they did was a test of their provess. Many in the Midlands still feel strongly that Northamp-

ton should never have been

year, when players had international commitments. They feelthere should have been no relegation for any first divi-sion team last year, because it tore players between club and country commitments. As pride in Northampton's per-

formances this season. They went into the lead first on Saturday and never relinquished the advantage. The first points came from Harvey Thorneycroft, who took a pass from Gregor Townsend, the Scotland international, to go through the middle for a try under the posts. Paul Grayson's conversion, and subsequent dropped goal, gave them a 10-0 lead at half-time.

Tony Underwood put Newcastle on the scoresheet with an unconverted try, before Grayson took the home side further ahead with two nenalties and a dropped goal. Northampton finished their points haul with a converted try from Matt Allen.

Newcastle were missing Rob Andrew, who was recov ering from a dislocated shoulder. His replacement, Richard Cramb, had a bad day, struggling with penalties, conversions and touch-kicks. Newcastle are continuing their improvement and are rumoured to be bidding for Garath Archer, the Bristol lock, among others, so the team will cominue to develop in time for next season.

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#### Neath move into stride for run-in to title

NEATH, the Heineken League leaders, took another stride towards the championship with a 50-24 rout of relegation-threatened Abertillery on Saturday. They boosted their points tally in the past three games to 210, coming from behind to thrash opponents who are second from the bottom and claim a maximum five points thanks

to their eight-try spree.
The home side battled into a 14-7 half-time lead, but were swamped as Neath got into their stride, Chris Scott and Justin Burnell leading the way with two tries each. Abertillery snatched a bonus point with four tries, but are looking certainties for relegation with Aberavon. Their closest rivals for relegation -Treorchy - secured a stunning 36-30 victory at Newport after trailing 25-5 into the second half

Pontypridd leapfrogged Llanelli into second place with a 54-22 win over Swansea, with Wales stand-off half. Neil Jenkins, topping 200 points for the season. Jonah Lomu, the New Zea-

land wing, scored two tries in typically rumbustious style to help Auckland Blues overcome Northern Transvaal 30-26 in a top-of-the-table Super 12 match yesterday. Auckland are four points ahead of Queensland in the table. England's sehoolboys

maintained their unbeaten record in the home international series by defeating France 14-11 in Vannes on Saturday. Should they win their final game against ireland at Hull lonians on Wednesday, they are likely to share the season's honours with Wales, who held them to a 7-7 draw last month.

## Rugby's Easter parade deserves dignified end

o walk to Cardiff Arms Park on Saturday was to do so with a deepening sense of impending loss. The Barbarians' presence over Easter in Wales is likely to come to an end and this 49-43 defeat against Cardiff could be the last match its kind. The bright light their particular brand of rugby cast on an admiring public has been growing dimmer. The public still holds them in warm affection, but seemingly the Welsh clubs no longer do.

The Easter tour that began in 1901 was shortened when the first of their traditional fixtures, Penarth, disappeared from the list. Newport was the second to go, only for the match to be rearranged for the autumn. The Welsh clubs were feeling the strain of fielding strong-enough teams. Two seasons ago, Swansea went - and now Cardiff, a fixture that dates back to 1891. is in serious jeopardy.

Having secured players from France, Italy and Argentina to make for a colourful squad, the Barbarians woke up on Saturday morning to find that their hosts were, apart from three players, fielding a second-string side. Car-diff have a Heineken League fixture today against Aberavon, a commitment that is unlikely to change. This, the Barbarians committee felt, was hardly a compliment

Cardiff may reply by saying that the Barbarians can hardly bleat and that the scoreboard tells its own story. What would the margin have been, they would argue, had Cardiff's best taken the field? To which the answer might be, as Geoffrey Windsor-Lewis, the Barbarians secretary, said, that a team responds according to the quality of the opposition, to lift the level of

the game in a way they might

Gerald Davies on

the sad decline of a once-great seasonal fixture

not when confronted with a lesser team. There was a goodish crowd, but there were others who might have looked on to see

that, since their own club had diminished the value of the match, it was not worth their bother either. This is a slippery route.

Swansea had been down this path and, with the Barbarians themselves searching around for players, turned the fixture into one of total insignificance. Rather than see this Easter Saturday match dwindle and find their own reputation decline, far better for the Barbarians to terminate the fixture. For the sake of their own sense of place in the rugby world and the affection in which they are held, it is better they make a dignified withdrawal.

If Wales cannot find a place for them, then the Barbarians should find the welcome of friends elsewhere. "We are getting invitations from all

Walker: two tries

parts of the world," Windsor-Lewis said, "Japan is already on the itinerary. Italy is in the pipeline. Perhaps that is the way for the future of the club." Barbarians rugby has al-

ways been good for the game. Time does not stand still, however much we sometimes wish that it did, and, in moving towards a professional destination, rugby must jettison much that is traditionally cherished. We should grieve the passing of this fixture, but sentiment should not play a part in the decision that the Barbarians and Cardiff have to make. Rather than wait for the new structure of competition to impose its inexorable will, they should part ways with dignity.

This match was a mixture of good and bad. There were marvellous moments of running and sleight of hand. Moments of excruciating error. too. For Cardiff, Rayer and Walker had chances to run in the backs, as did Booth and Ringer among the forwards. For the Barbarians, Pichot, at scrum-half, was ubiquitous, as was Morrison and his fellow back-row men. SCORIENS: Certiff: Tries: Walker (2), Rayer, Coldatey, C John, Walne, Stone Conversions: C John (7), Barberlans: Tries: Morrison (2), Stark, Gardner: Chervet, Evens, penalty try. Conventions: Chervet (4)

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CARDIFP: M Rayer; N Walker, S John, J Colderley, N Walns; C John, A Moore: P Booth, H Beven, M Davey, J Ringer, S Ray, K Sewart, D Cavies, H Stone Roy replaced by J Waksford (67min)

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BARBARIANS: J Gallegher (Brachheath and New Zeelend): E seamders (Rugby), S Cotteel (Cambridge University), S Selver (Alumi), BA and Argentina), D Stark (Boroughnuir and Scotland), D Cherver (Recing Club and France), A Pichot (Service) and Argentina), A Watt (Glasgow High Methorsonic and Scotland), Taph), P Wight (Boroughnuir and Scotland), T Mortison (London Scotland, Taph), S Muntay (Golnburgh Academicals), X Blond (Racing Club and France), J Garder (Benedic Treats) and Kelyl, Salvari replaced by 1. Evens (Treorchy and Wales, 2min); Mickenze replaced by 1 Hay (Hawkot, and Scotland, 5), Wright replaced by 8 Crippes (Abertillan, Birmi), Genchery replaced by M Linnett (Worcester, 45).
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phoney war By NICOLAS ANDREWS A RUGBY Football Union

## Chance for St Helens to build on fine start

By Christopher Irvine

UNDER Shaun McRae, St Helens have achieved in three months what had been beyond them for years, first reaching the rugby league Challenge Cup final, on April 27, and then breaking a long sequence of defeats by Wigan last

A habit St Helens have of gaining a fine win, then maktheir next match, is one that their Australian coach is anxious to see end today in the noon encounter at Leeds.

It is possible that St Helens could have an early outright lead in the Stones Super League by tonight. Only two other sides are unbeaten, but Warrington face the inevitable Wigan backlash at Central Park and London Broncos will travel with some trepidation to Bradford Bulls, the other

Wembley finalists. The team is largely the one

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he inherited from his predecessor, but where the unfortunate Eric Hughes got it wrong, McRae, so far, has got things quickly right, gening St Helens back to Wembley after five years and beating Wigan for the first time since the 1993 Premiership final.

McRae is blessed with some excellent talent at Knowsley Road. However, orchestration required to get good soloisis io make music togethcr and McRae's direction has brought far greater harmony in areas of defence where St Helens were vulnerable. In six maiches, he has yet to lose.

The one player McRae has brought in Derek McVey, a second-row forward from Sydney Tigers, had an enormous bearing on the 41-26 defeat of Wigan. A repeat of his rampaging running and offloading of the ball under pressure can only do further damage to a Leeds side show-

ing ubvious strains. Leeds and Workington the only sides to have lost their two opening games. Castleford Tigers denied Leeds with a last-minute try on Friday and there had been booing at Headingley during the opening defeat by Warrington. A third would bring added pressures for Dean Bell, the Leeds coach.

A back scan on Martin Offiah revealed a cracked vertebra, which will keep the Wigan wing out for at least a fortnight. Rob Smyth takes his place for the visit of Warrington and their coach, John Dorahy, whose troubled season at Wigan ended in dismissal four days after the side won the 1994 Challenge Cup.

Dorahy is one half of a "dream team" at Warrington with Alex Murphy, the team manager, who also knows what it is like to be dismissed by Wigan. Tonight brings an early opportunity to fulfil Murphy's words when they were appointed in January: "I promise you one thing," he said then, "John Dorahy will come back to haum Wigan."

lestyn Harris, Paul Sculvuungsters with a tremendous future. What Warrington lack are experienced craftsmen to blend in with youthful potential. In their last four meetings, Wigan have won with plenty to spare and, after their problems of the last week. Wigan will want to produce a convincing performance.

Tony Currie, the London coach, was highly critical of his side, in spite of the win againsi Paris Saint-Germain on Thursday. A more pragmatic approach will be required to gain a first win at Bradford, which would represent a start to the Broncos' season beyond all expect-

Paris attracted nearly 18,000 to the Charlety Stadium for the opening-day defeat of Sheffield Eagles, which brought a media awakening in France. Oldham Bears are the visitors today and the emphasis will be on the home team to keep up the good work in the name of rugby league by achieving a second win.

Workington sank without trace at home to St Helens eight days ago, gave a far before losing 45-30 at Warrington and now need to repeat their win of last season against Sheffield at Derwent



High-flying Lee Jones, left, leads Matthew Dent and Mark Wooldridge over the humps and bumps in a thrilling heat at the Mid-Hants moto-cross championships at Thruxton yesterday, where many of the leading riders in the United Kingdom were competing. Photograph: Marc Aspland

## Clifton court success against the odds

BY STUART JONES

IN A different context, the black, pock-marked walls might have been used to illustrate a day's shelling in a war zone. Apart from the presence of numerous scuff marks, as though hails of bullets had ricocheted off the surface, three gaping holes suggested heavier artillery had been at work.

Clifton College's rackets court, one of only 37 in the world, is plainly in need of refurbishment. The damage has been inflicted during more than a century of activity in an arena that is said to be used more often than any other except at Queen's, the headquarters of the sport.

Converted into a basketball court by the Americans during the war (the doorway was filled in and another was hacked out of the side wall, it summer at a cost of £4.000. Clifton are also in the process None of their individuals

has claimed the Foster Cup, the national schools championship, since 1990. The winner then was Matthew Windows, now a county cricketer with Gloucestershire. One his former rivals, Toby Sawrey-Cookson, has since changed allegiances.

A semi-finalist in the Foster Cup, he was a contemporary of Windows at Wellington and is the professional in charge of guiding Clifton's resurgence. The standard among the seniors is weak at the moment," he conceded, "but there are some promising juniors coming through."

In view of the current comparatively low status, he was initially bemused by the visit of an outsider. Sawrey-Cookson, 23, was too bashful to disclose that he is the British under-24 doubles champion, a title he won with Jonathen Larkin in January, and is the ninth-best player.

The competitive field is restricted. He competes in no naments a year and the reIN SCHOOLS

Schools results

wards are equally limited. He estimates that the overall prize-money he has earned in three years as a professional amounts to a mere £1,300.

He pointed out that the winner of the British Open. one of the three titles that have to be won by anyone with pretensions to challenging the some £800. It is not as if the equipment is cheap either. Even a moderate, racket can cost as much as £40.

the chairman of the Boasters, the club which uses the court at Clifton during the evenings. exemplifies the potential expense. In one term at Harrow, Claude Rome broke 37 rackets and ran up a bill that exceeded the school fees.

Eton, represented by all four semi-finalists in the last Foster Cup, remain the dominant With two courts and 1.100 pupils, they have a distinct numerical advantage. Girls, none of whom play rackets, form almost half of Clifton's 650 students.

More popular pastimes are rugby (Kevin Bowring was the director of sport until he left to take up his post as the Wales coachl and cricket. A plaque commemorates the world record achieved by "A. E. J. Collins who scored 629 runs on this ground in a junior house match in 1899.

Nevertheless, Sawreycould in a couple of years challenge the likes of Eton. Harrow and Tonbridge. He is depending on the continuing development of three youngsters - Nathan Thevathasan. George Buck and Daniel Kane. Theyathasan had never played the game before he arrived from Sri Lanka. Nor had Buck, whose father was a headmaster in Kenya. By the time they are seniors, their rutor expects to be reaching his own peak. He lost in the first round of the British Open last month, but to the eventual champion, James Male, who

is also world champion. Sawrey-Cookson, who admits that his 6ft 2in frame may be larger than the ideal for rackets, competed last week with Larkin in the British Open doubles championship at Queen's. His regular partner will also assist him to prepare for his debut in the US Open later this month.

They will practise in the crumbling court, receiving the customary lets whenever the ball veers off the edges of the shortly be seeking perfection there as well, and not only in their physical activities. The room also houses the GCSE

#### Ranatunga ready to hand over captaincy to de Silva

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BY OUR SPORTS STAFF

SRI Lanka's cricket captain, Arjuna Ranatunga. 32 who led his side to victory over Australia in the World Cup final last month, is to step down. In a newspaper interview yesterday. Ranatunga said it was time he handed over the reins.

"I think I've done my bit, having been captain since 1989, Ranatunga said. The left-handed batsman, who first represented his country as an 18-year-old schoolboy. nominated his vice-captain. Aravinda de Silva, as his successor. With his experience and capabilities, he will handle the team very weil," Ranatunga said.

His announcement came onthe day that Sri Lanka lost to Pakistan by 43 runs in the final of the Singer Cup in Singapore, but not before their swashbuckling opening bats man, Sanath Jayasuriya, had established another one-day batting record. He struck a half-century from only 17 balls one less than the previous record held by the Simon O'Donnell, of Australia — as Sri Lanka chased a victory

target of 216. There were five sixes and eight fours in Jayasuria's innings of 76 from 28 deliveries. but, when he was out. Sri Lanka collapsed on a pitch that gave the off spinner, Saglain, all the help he needed to turn the game.

In Kingstown, St Vincent. Brian Lara and Phil Simmons scored centuries as West Indies beat New Zealand by seven wickets in the deciding one-day international to take the series by three matches in two. Lara struck 104 and Simmons 103 not out, adding 186 in a third-wicket partnership that began with West Indies struggling at 31 for two in reply to New Zealand's 241 for eight.

It was Lara's ninth one-day century and his second of the series. He hit a six and ten fours from the 103 balls he received.

West Indies needed 25 runs off the remaining nine overs after Lara's dismissal and Simmons saw them home. His fifth one-day hundred included two sixes and ten fours off 125 balls. He finished the fine-leg boundary off the third delivery of the penulti-

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## Woking maintain winning habit to stay in hunt for title

Macclesfield Town .......2

By Walter Gammie

WHEN confirmation of Morecambe reached the home dressing-room at Kingfield on Saturday, added edge was given to the euphoria generated by a thrilling Woking victory. Now just a point behind the leaders, having played a match more, Woking travel to Stevenage today with the Vauxhall Conference title tantalisingly within reach.

Six successive wins make a persuasive case for their chances. The spirit with which, 2-1 behind at half-time and down to ten men with Hunter, their scorer, sent uff. they rallied to seize the spoils an even more forceful one.

Four minutes into the second half. Woking withdrew Baron from their five-man defence and sent on Adams, a forward. It was a statement of intent to which the players responded magnificently. Their attacking balance re-stored with a flat back four. Woking flowed forward, rekindled their passing game and played a previously ram-pant Macclesfield off the pitch. Adams did his bit with two

deceptive left-foot strikes. In the 55th minute, he timed his stretch at the far post to steer in a cross by Steele, then, in the 64th minute, he pulled away from the defence as Walker weaved to the byline and turned away a perfect pass with aplomb.

Walker, the former Chelsea and Sunderland wing, might, at 38, have seen it all before,

Poole Town survived the ignominy of entering the Guinness Book of Records as the worst team in football history when they drew 0-0 with Bashley in the Beazer Homes League on Saturday. Poole had previously suffered 39 successive defeats, equalling the record set by Stockport United in 1977.

but he was clearly pleased with his piece of sorcery. "When the adrenalin starts flowing, everyone wants to take on extra responsibility and no one missed out in that respect." he said. "I felt I just wanted to try sumething extra. Sometimes it works, some-times it doesn't." Most of 4,583 crowd, the best of the season in the Conference, roared their

For Sammy Mctlroy, the

Macclesfield manager, Hunt-er's sending off had proved a predictable turning point. "You see it so often," he said. "In the second half, we simply didn't match them commitment.

His dismay was undertandable. Macclesfield, having fallen behind, played smooth, controlled football and twice pulled apart Woking's defence for Sorvel and then Coates to deliver crosses for Power to score.

They were ahead and looking comfortable when Hunter was ordered off in the 32nd minute. Having made his mark with a fine goal, hooking the ball over his shoulder and driving the ball across Price in Macclesfield's goal, Hunter needlessly tripped Hemmings to add a second yellow card to one he had picked up for a foul in the second minute.

At the finish, the match sponsor declined to pick out a man of the match, nominating the entire Woking team. "I've never seen that before," Walker said, "but who would want to argue?"

WOKING (6-2-1-2)\* L Batty — J Crumplin, M Tucker, K Brown, T Baron (sub O Adams, 49mm), S Grotler (sub O Timothy, 20) — C Fielder, A Elis — S Steele — J Hunter, C Wotley

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MACCLESFIELD TOWN (4-4-2): R Price —
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— S Wood (sub: O Lyons, 64), N Sorvel, K
Hulma, A Hemmings — M Coates, P Power

#### **Bright start brings** reward for Oxford

Oxford University ......2 Cambridge University ... 1

By DAVID MILLER

THE attendance for the University football match at Craven Cottage - 1,260 - was more than half that for Cambridge United's home match in the Endsleigh losurance League third division. Not bad at all (writes David Miller). However, it is eight years since Cambridge University's last victory and Oxford's fourth win in this spell was the reward of dominance

in the first hour. It was difficult to detect any serious coaching influence on either team, unless it was the respective tactical formations: Oxford's 4-5-1, Cambridge's 1-1-1-5-2. both of them surprisingly negative for an encoun-ter that is neither league nor Cup, but a one-off and supposedly an occasion for some

Oxford's lone attacker. Perera, failed to achieve his professed impersonation of Faustino Asprilla and it was the mobility and control of Smith, Bissell, Loosemore and the two Hanssens in midfield that gave Oxford the

Cambridge played with a sweeper, White, behind a

marker, Budd, behind a midfield sweeper. Thompson, the captain. Thompson's inaccurate distribution did not make the most of lively performances io front of him by Pett and Evans in midfield and Millar up front.

Loosemore headed Oxford in front after a quarter of an hour from a corner by Jens-Peter Hanssen, who had earlier hit the angle of the posts. After Pett and Hayward has missed scrambled chances for Cambridge, Oxford pressed for the remainder of the first half and went two up soon after the hour when Smith rounded Park and shot home from an acute angle. Millar scored ten minutes from the end from a penalty for a handling offence and there after Cambridge wasted openings for a draw with ragged

shooting.
Only half a dozen players showed natural ability and Evans, who has professional experience with Luton, was

experience with Luton, was named man of the match.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY: J Park (St Carbarne's) S Ball (Emmanuel), R Henderson (Clare Hall), M Budd (Guton), A Thomson (St Carbarne's, captain), I White (Timity Hall), M Patt (Christ's), K Heyward (Fizwellam), M Evans (Homerton), R Miller (St. John's), R Morrow (Churchill), CXCORD UNIVERSITY J Novy (St Carbarne's), J Parker (St. John's), A Buddey (Oriel), R Westington (St Edmund Hall captain), P Werman (New College), O Loosemore (Katole), M Smith (Oriel), A Besel (New College), J Hamssen (St Antony 3), M Goff (Queon's), H Henssen (Corpus Christi).

## Lowly Royals stay defiant

By Nicholas Harling

THE near-capacity crowds that have watched the Hemel Hempstead Royals basketbali team all season - most recently on Saturday for the visit of the deposed champions. Sheffield Sharks - provide a powerful argument as to why the Budweiser League's bottom club should not be relegated. Less persuasive is the team itself, whose meagre ially of six wins in 36 games means that the club will have to sweat over the next month on its status next season.

Hemel have finished bottom twice in the past four seasons, yet the club's owner, Vince MaCauley-Razaq, is adamant: 'I would like to feel that we have made some progress

since we took the club over." he said after the Royals had shumped to a 93-77 defeat by the Sharks. "I am 100 per cent confident of being in the league next season." Like most owners, Razaq

welcomes the new ruling that will permit clubs to field five foreign players from next season. "It's the best thing that could ever have happened to this league," he said. "We want to encourage English players as much as we can, but they shouldn't be in a comfort zone of being guaranteed places just because they are English."

Just to endorse his point, two Americans had earlier led the scoring. Jason Siemon

collected 23 points for the Royals, who trailed throughout chiefly because the Sharks had, in his compatriot, Todd Cauthorn, the scorer of 25 points, the game's outstanding performer. Roger Huggins kept the English flag flying with his contribution of 24 points for the Sharks. That was two less than Peter Scantlebury - who he recently succeeded as England captain - accumulated for Thames Valley Tigers in their

108-86 home loss to the champions. London Towers. Mark Robinson's 40 for Manchester Giants in their 109-97 win over Chester Jets was the best individual tally of

### Furlan clinches Italian victory

RENZO FURLAN'S victory over Wayne Ferreira, of South Africa, in Rome yesterday gave Italy a place in the Davis Cup semi-finals for the first time in 16 years. Cheered on by 6,000 supporters in the Foro Italico, Furlan won 3-6, 6-0, 7-6, 6-2 in 2hr 42min to establish a winning 3-t

margin.
"We have won a great match," Adriano Panatta, the Italians' captain, said before he was hoisted on to the shoulders of jubilant team members. "Now let's move on to the semi-finals against France. It's a very open competition\_"

France, who had already qualified at Germany's expense when Guy Forget and Arnaud Boetsch beat Boris Becker and Marc Goeliner in Saturday's doubles, completed a 5-0 whitewash in Limoges when Forget and Cedric Pioline scored singles victories over David Prinosil and

are in the semi-finals for the first time since 1991. The Germans were without Michael Stich while Becker played only in the doubles because of a respiratory infection.

Sweden completed a 5-0 rout of India on grass in Calcutta and will now meet the Czech Republic, who gained a 3-2 win over the United States in Prague when Petr Korda beat MaliVai Washington 7-6, 6-3, 6-2.

Tickets from £7.50.

So much for hitting the Scottish where it hurts most. First game April 14th London Monarchs v Scottish Claymores

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What could the Scottish possibly hate more than losing money? Losing their first game of the season to the English. Venue: White Hart Lane, Tottenham . Home games: April 14, May 6, May 19, May 27, June 16 • Pre-game Power Party at 12.00pm • Kick-off at 3.00pm · Courtesy shuttle bus with return service from Seven Sisters tube Half-price admission for children 12 and under • Season tickets: 5 for the price of 4 \* Ticket orders are subject to agency booking fees.



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## Point-to-point should build on increase in standards

f you like betting on the jump jockeys' championship and are looking for a winner around the year 2000, get to a point-to-point this weekend

Had you done so last year you might well hold a ticket at a decent price about Richard Johnson being a champion one day. Since he is now a professional and has displayed his talents on Mr Mulligan this season, that seems a good bet.

Those looking for similar opportunities should now consider Peter Henley, an assistant to Robert Alner, and Robert Thornton, who, like Johnson, is learning his trade with David Nicholson. They are but two who have caught the eye.

Neither man is likely 10 win the national point-to-point title: Johnson's total of seven wins in points last year was less than a quarter of the total ridden by champion Alastair Crow, a Shropshire farmer. They will learn plenty about racing which will stand them in good stead when they turn professional, and since both can ride at under 10st and are gifted, they will in time.

What Henley and Thornton visibly represent today is a general improvement in standards within the sport. Behind the scenes livery yards, point-to-point's equivalent of licensed (professional) yards, have flourished in the last ten years, bringing new owners into the sport who cheerfully pay the weekly bills but expect a decent service from their trainer and rider.

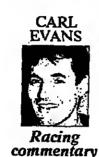
If someone hopes to ride for a livery yard they have to be competent, and when Henley or Thornton are sitting alongside it is easy to spot the less gifted jockeys. If you cannot beat them, you join them, and riders have had to become fitter, learn how to tuck down in the saddle, practice their finish and seek advice. For some it comes naturally; others have to try a little harder.

The sport is increasingly the entity which it always claimed but rarely looked; a nursery tion of volunteers.

for National Hunt racing. With higher standards it is unquestionably the perfect place for trainers, riders and

horses to cut their teeth. So all is well and there is nothing to worry about? Not goile. In Britain we have become used to the boom and bust syndrome and if any equestrian sport is doing well. it is this one.

However, the words of Mike Macewan, a former army major who rode as an amateur and competed in the Grand National, should be heeded. As chairman of the Point-to-Point Secretaries Association and a member of the Liaison Committee which knots the sport's various bodies together and deals with the Jockey Club. Macewan is a decision maker.



"I wonder," he said, while standing in a muddy Oxfordshire field at a recent meeting. whether these gifted young men will be back here in 20 years time. Whether they will put up the railings, mark ont the car parks, do their bit as stewards and judges.

"We must not forget the farmers' sons and daughters. They are the ones who will volunteer to do those jobs one day, but only if they enjoy the thrill of racing now."

Good riders on their way to the professional circuit are a boon for the sport. More novice riders' races and those where the weights are set at 12st 7lb, instead of 12st, would help the many well-built sixfooters who want to take part. and preserve the next genera-

## Dare takes title lead with Ledbury double

POINT-TO-POINT BY CARL EVANS

ONE of the sport's most year I felt like giving up," she enduring partnerships is back on top. Alison Dare and trainer Dick Baimbridge make a formidable team and said, her gloom at that time being caused by a broken leg. Andrew Parker kept his men's title hopes alive with his at the Ledbury meeting on Saturday they paired up for a double to take her tally for the season to 17 and a clear lead in the women's championship.

Pip Jones is now one behind after victory on Lucky Ole Son at the Llangibby, but Polly Curling suffered two falls without adding to her score of 15 at the Blackmore & Sparkford Vale.

Dare, 38, has been riding winners for Baimbridge since 1980, quietly collecting five riders' titles on the way. Her record this year, after victories on Landsker Alfred

and Split Second, reads 17 wins, a second, third, fourth and fifth with one fall from 22 rides. To think this time last

eighteenth win of the season at the Percy, Paul Hacking kept the gap to four with an Aldington victory, but Alastair Crow was luckless at the North Staffs.

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TODAY'S MEETINGS: Brees Of Dorwort, at Tranwell, 3 miles SW Monpath (first sce. 2.00); East Kent, Aldington, 6m SE Ashlord (2.00); Eagresford, Bishopskigh, 8m NW Crediton (1.30); Easter Farmens & Union, Marks Tey, 5m W Colchester (2.00); Four Burrow, Wisdebridge, Im W of lown (2.00); North Cotswold, Andoverstord, 6m E Cheltenham (2.00); North Stropshre, Eyton-on-Sewern, 7m SE Strausbury (2.00); Old Berles, Lockinge, 2m SE Warninge (2.00); Southdown & Eridge, Healthfield, 1m E of town (2.00); South Notts, Thorpe Lodge, 4m SW Nowest, Sm SW Scerborough (2.00); Stainhondale, Chorn Park, 6m SW Scerborough (2.00); Taunhon Vale, Kingston St Mary, 3m N Taunton (2.00); Vine & Craven, Hackwood Park, 2m SE Bestingstoke (2.00); High Peak, Flegg Moor, 6m SE Bouton (2.00).

#### POINT TO POINT BESINES

ASHFORD VALLEY (Charing): Hunt 1, Azamins (A Welsh, 4-5 fav). Rest 1, Sovereign Spray (P Hacking, 7-4 fav). Open: 1, Strong Gold (T McCarthy, 9-4). Ladles: 1, Adamere (Miss C Hollodey, 11-4). Cub 1, Stade Quarter (P Hickman, 11-10 fav). Open Mohr. 1, Kelburne Lad (P Bull, 7-2).

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BLACKMORE & SPARKGORIO VALE (Chariton Horethome): Hurst 1, Arctic Chill (Miss & Victoary, 2-1 fav). Open 1, Sayvure (Fi Treloggen, 12-1). Ladies: 1, Tom Snout (Miss & Victoary, 2-1 fav). Open 1, Sayvure (Fi Treloggen, 12-1). Ladies: 1, Tom Snout (Miss & Victoary, 7-4, 12-1). Ladies: 1, Tom Snout (Miss & Victoary, 7-4, 12-1). Lelle Rewador (Miss & Victoary, 4-1). Mdn (5-7yo) It 1, Strong Chairman (N Mitchell, 5-7yo) It 1, Strong Chairman (N Mitchell, 1-1, Elle Rewador (Miss & Victoary, 4-1). Mdn (5-7yo) It 1, Strong Chairman (N Mitchell, 1-1, Elle Rewador (Miss & Victoary, 4-1). Mdn (5-7yo) It 1, Saysin (M Felton, 2-1, Tax) (Level And Shafirton): Hurst 1, Rassi Clevy (P Jenidras, 5-1). Comfiread: 1, Filip The Lid (N Tuffy, Evens tay). Ladies: 1, Filip Comforth, Evens tay). Open Mdn It 1, Master Crozima (P Corrioth, Evens tay). Open Mdn It 1, Master Crozima (P Corrioth, Evens tay). Open Mdn It 1, Spartan's Conquest (C Ward, 12-1). Spartan's Conquest (C Ward, 12-1). Ladies: 1, Millboy (N Bloom, 1-3 fay). Ladies: 1, Si Gregory (Miss A Pharkatt, 5-Ladies: 1, Si Gregory (Miss A Pharkatt, 5-Ladies: 1, Si Gregory (Miss A Pharkatt, 5-Ladies: 1, Millboy (N Bloom, 1-3 fay). Ladies: 1, Millboy (N Bloom, 1-3 fay). Ladies: 1, Si Gregory (Miss A Pharkatt, 5-Ladies: 1, Si Gregory (Miss A Pharkatt, 5-Ladies: 1, Millboy (N Bloom, 1-3 fay). Ladies: 1, Millboy (N Bloom Hunt 1, Half A Sov (S Merch, Evens fav).
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1, Landslez Alfred (Miss A Dare, 1-4 fav).
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Ladies: 1, Spit Second (Miss A Dare, 1-4 fav). Rest 1, Notanotherone (S Lloyd, 11-fav). Rest 1 1, Notanotherone (S Lloyd, 11-fav).
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PERCY (Almaldic): Hunt: 1, Loughlinskown Boy (P Craggs, 9-2). Rest: 1. Fiscal Policy (J Welton, 4-1). Open Melt. 1, Ellid Anotr (R Stries, 2-1). Microd Open: 1. Bow Handy Man (F Scott, 4-1). Confined: 1. Across The Card (W Ramsay, 8-1). Microd Open: 1. Bow Handy Man (F Scott, 4-1). Confined: 1. Druk's Brook (A Parler, 7-2).

ROYAL APTILLERY (Larknill): Hunt: 1. Deytrook's Gilf (Miss N Alan, 1-3 tay). Micro: 1, Pontabule (A Charles-Jonee, 6-4 tay). Micro: 1, Pontabule (A Charles-Jonee, 6-4 tay). Micro: 1, Jupiter Moon (C Casey, 3-1). Infer: 1, Always Great (Dr P Pritcherd, Evens). Microd Open: 1. What A To Do (R Sweeting, 4-1). Rest: 1, Curiel Confidence (Aiss: D Stafford, 6-4). Kings Troop Hunt: 1, Hawara (Sgl W Goudle, 5-2). SPOONERS & WEST DARTMOOR (Higher Klavorthy): Hunt: 1, Little Coombe (R Cols, 5-2). Rest: 1, Green Hall (Miss L Blackford, 4-1) tay). Confined: 1. The General's Dam (K Heard, 1-2 tay). Open: 1. Try It Alone (S Stade, 10-1). Mon: 1. Kanfarey (K Heard, 6-4). It say). Mich II. Kindly Lady (P Schoffeld, 6-4 tay). UNITED (Brampton Bryan): Hunt: 1, Cornectic Fleur (A Dellon): Risisted alone. Open: 1, First Harvest (P Hendy, 3-11. Ladies: 1, Tuffrut George (Miss A Corbst, 4-5 tay). PORA: 1, Snoon Wind (A Dellon, 1-2 tay). Confined: 1, Geo-Potheen (Mre N Sheppard, 16-1). Reet: 1, Horn Risyer (M P Jones, 12-1). Mich: 1, Copure: The Maylo: (C Richerds, 5-1). Mich II: 1, Sweet Josman (Miss E James, 12-1). VAI E OF AYLESBURY (Kindde): Hunt: 1. Midn II: 1, SWeet Joanne (mass L series, 12-1).

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VALE OF LINE (Whitington): Hunt 1, Nenru (R Ford, 4-9 tay). Confined: 1, Ambrose (D Berlow, 1-5 tay). Confined: 1, Ambrose (D Berlow, 1-5 tay). Ladies: 1. Across The Lake (Miss S Brotherton, 5-4).

Open: 1, Jack Dwyer (D Coakes, 5-1).

Rest. 1, Pennine Yew (R Ford, 3-1). Open: 1, Jack Dwyer (D Confined: 1-1).

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Weston Moon (N Bell, 12-1), Midn (Div II) pert II): 1, Raise An Argument (J Docker, Evens Inv). Ladies. 1, Loose Wheels (Miss, K Makhrison, 3-1). Root. 1, Coolvern Lady (T Lanc, 8-1).

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2.20 | Can't Remember, 2.50 Pride Of Brixton, 3.20 Berge, 3.50 Montecristo, 4.20 Dancing Cavalier, 4.50 Laughling Buccaneer.

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WARWICK THUNDERER 2.35 Wait For Rosie, 3.05 SHIP'S DANCER (nap), 3.35 Domappel, 4.05 Belle's Boy, 4.35 Hoh Magic, 5.05 Chadwell Hall.

GOING: GOOD DRAW: 5F, LOW BEST

2.35 LIONS CLUB INTERNATIONAL MEDIAN **AUCTION MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES** (2-Y-0: £3,016: 5f) (10 runners)

2-1 Sea Miss, 8-1 Wait For Rocke, 5-1 Enchantica, 7-1 Conseniera, Morthern Girt, 18-1 Helio Dolly, 12-1 others

3.05 BBC CWR HANDICAP

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3.35 HIGH TENSILE BOLTS HANDICAP (£4,060: 1m 2f 169yd) (12)

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1 20-0 PARTY MIGHT 18 (P) R Harson 4-10-0 R Hoghes 6
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3 130- DEMANDER 182 (D,F.S) W Jacres 4-9-3 J Stock (3) 7
4 0-50 DANCE RORS 4 (P) R Herris 4-9-3 J Stock (3) 7
5 0-08 LICCONTRUTONO 12 (D,B.F.S.S) M 6-01 5-9-1 M Fertival 18
0 QD DENDMENATION 18 Building 4-9-8 G Griffiths (5) 3
7 5530 YOUNG BERSON 30 B McMehon 4-8-8 G Griffiths (5) 8
8 0-06 C.E.-MY-AV B (C,F.S.S) J Berry 9-8-7 J Carroll 12
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4.05 WARWICK CARNIVAL CLAIMING STAKES (3-Y-0: £2,934: 1m 4f 115yd) (7) 

CARLISE

2.20 Mill Thyme, 2.50 Shawwell, 3.20 Master Sandy. 3.50 Staigue Fort, 4.20 Well Appointed, 4.50 Brazen Gold, 5.20 My Buster. Carl Evans: 4.50 Brazen Gold.

2.20 SOLWAY MARES ONLY NOVICES CLAIMING (£1,940: 2m 1f) (13 numers)

2-1 MBI Thome, 71-4 Wild Place Of York, 4-1 Level Edge, 7-1 Charlestons, 0-1 Foreser Silver, Ski Lady, 12-1 Logani, 14-1 others.

2.50 KIRKANDREWS UPON EDEN NOVICES HANDICAP CHASE

(£2,645: 2m 4f 110yd) (7) 5-4 Bran's Delight, 5-2 Metable Ecosphice, 7-2 Stannedl, 12-1 Dedord Het, 14-1 1948 Bank, 16-1 Another Med., 20-1 Delescores.

3.20 BOWNESS NOVICES HURDLE (£2,368: 2m 4f 110yd) (10)

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4 20:3 DANATTS WAY 44 (8) M Hamsterd 7-11-2 ... Mr C Bonner (3)
5 6500 AACGUSE 10 M Wesplor 6-11-2 ... Mr C Bonner (3)
6 SR DICAGE COX 33SF J Birtlet 5-11-2 ... J Barbo
7 0U PODALM 55 X Diver 7-10-11 ... L D'Hars
9 LAGO LAGO 214F W McKebert 4-10-4 ... 6 Cahif (5)
10 ZULAMENT 91T A Wesplor 4-10-4 ... 6 Cahif (5)
11 ZULAMENT 91T A Wesplor 4-10-4 ... 9 D'actor (5) 4-5 Marcher Sardy, 7-4 Charles, Way, 5-1 (Cappellus), 10-1 Se Oriche Co., 12-1 Ligo Lug., 14-1 Tess O'Telly, Zelament, 16-1 Footbay, J'Accise. 25-1 Cheap Kright.

3.50 EASTER BONNET HANDICAP (3-Y-0: £3,818: 1m 1t 213yd) (12) 1 661- NO CLICHES 215 (F) G Lams 9-7 .....

1 661- NO CLICHES 215 (F) G Leass 9-7 PRobusson R
2 524- MANGARE 297 F Hamora 9-7 A Whates (3) 4
3 020- ARESBURY HEL 188 P Chapter-Hyam 9-3 R Hawfin (5) 8
4 6-41 LAW CANCER 0 (6) 7 428: 9-2 S FORMS 9
5 002- GENERAL MACARTHER 167 J Durche 0-2 G Boffand 5
6 100- MARHAMAN 127 (F) D Martry 9-1 Jean-Frame Logic 11
8 00-1 CHEF MOUSE 33 (6) 4 Charton 9-0 Jean-Frame Logic 11
9 025- MEL TEMBOR 33 (6) 6 Charton 9-0 Jean-Frame Logic 11
0 02163 MONTECRISTO 14 (0) G) R Sacrt 8-9 F Lynch (5) 1
10 02163 MONTECRISTO 14 (0) G) R Sacrt 8-9 F Lynch (5) 1
2 00-0 MONTHERM MOTTO 18 Mrs. J Ramsdon 7-13 P Fessey (5) 2
2-5 Carennal Martines MOTTO 18 Mrs. J Ramsdon 7-13 P Fessey (5) 2
2-5 Carennal Martines 9-3 Charl Marines 5-1 Naviscon 8-1 Alexbury Mal, 7-1 ha 7-2 General Monarton, 9-2 Chief Monae, 5-1 Newspace, 8-1 Alexany Hall, 7-1 No. Charles, 8-1 Law Carter, Montecesto, 10-1 others.

4.20 EASTER BUNNY HANDICAP (3-Y-0: £2,951 1m 6f 15yd) (10)

1 2-13 BALIOS 42 (G) M Intercent 9-7. J Wegens 5 2 4332 DANCING CANALIER 7 (G) 6 Hollenberg 9-7. F Lynch (S) 1 3 4D-2 MINISTAN 14 J Donce 9-3 . R HOS 7 4 0-60 RIVERCARE 14 M Projetz 6-19 . M Tebodul 18 0-13 SEGE PERUDO 7 (DF.S) 5 Williams 8-10. A Winstan (3) 3 6 00-4 ATLANTIC INST 14 8 Haltman 8-7 . S Drowne (3) B 7 0-00 NPLURE PEDLER 14 C Ember 3-3 . G Dumeld 4 R 0-00 GRAFIAM 67 UN 12 N E-2006 0-1 00-0 GENERAL GLOW 12 N Eyropt 8-1 10 5-00 FERGAL 12 Renald Thompson 7-10 5-2 Bales, 3-1 Dancing Casafer 9-2 Manusare Stege Pentous, 8-1 behance Pedier, 18-1 Atlantic Met, 12-1 others.

4.50 EASTER MONDAY HANDICAP (3-Y-0: £3,805: 1m 54yd) (20)

(3-Y-O: £3,805: 1m 54yd) (20)

1 63-6 KATE KOSMAITE 23 J Wiston 9-7 C Rumer 13
2 500- PLEASIRELAND 175 P £5ax: 9-7 R Havin (5) 3
3 -500 DALY PRISS 50 50m 9-6 A Whelan (5) 17
4 3012 YEOMAN OLNER 37 (6) (7) 8 McMahten 9-6 L Newton (5) 5
5 304- MELLORS 207 J folter 9-5 J Wester 19
6 1132 BIT OF BOTHER 24 (0.8F,6) 1 Barron 9-5 J Wester 19
6 1132 BIT OF BOTHER 24 (0.8F,6) 1 Barron 9-5 J Fortise 5
7 63-5 KOMME 16 R Kannon 9-5 J Fortise 5
8 R10- MRISS PERIOS DAWN 202 (0.6,5) M Channon 9-2
9 P Himphy (5) 12
9 530- ONE SHOT 220 W Mars 9-0 Jean-Pierre Lopez 11
10 000- RET FREM 164 M Lovis 9-0 Jean-Pierre Lopez 11
10 000- RET FREM 164 M Lovis 9-0 R R-Pierre Lopez 11
11 040- BROGHT DUAMOND 170 J Avoid 8-12 R J Hrts 4
12 404- LAUSGAING BUCCAMEER 131 A Forter 8-11 R Lynch (7) 14
13 600- PETITE HERPITIENE 299 M Ryan B-10 M Barrd (5) 18
14 650- MRLOS 197 Rocald Recepton B-10 P Fiessey (5) 1
15 60-5 WINSTON 16F J Sched 8-10 S Drowne (3) 3
16 000- REDNA SHAWN 157 J Ductop 9-7 G Duffield 6
17 000- RERESET E 124 R Morus 8-4 P McCabe (3) 2
13 300- ECCEPTIEC DAWCER 16F M Beeby 8-4 1 Field (7) 7
19 004- CERISE 160 (6) W Beery 8-4 F Mars 6-10 Color 10 7-1 Whispenog Dawn 8-1 featness Oliver, Bit Ol Bother, 10-1 Fiscal Sharm. McClers, Finave 12-1 Briganoone, 14-1 Bright Oliverond, Certise Daily Risk.

**COURSE SPECIALISTS** 

TRAINERS: A Charlton, 8 wigners from 30 numers, 26 7%, J Bantes, 3 from 12, 25 6%, P Chappte-Hyam, 3 from 13, 23 1%; J Dundop, 17 from 29, 18 3%, P Exerc. 7 from 42, 16.7%, Ufez, G Welleway, 3 from 18, 16 7%, May J Ramselen, 10 from 66, 15 2%, M Channon, 7 from 46, 15 2%, M Janvis, 4 from 28, 14 3%. JOCKEYS: R Hills: 11 womers from 65 indes, 16 9%, P Robinson, 12 from 91, 13,2%; L Newton, 3 from 24, 12.5%; J Weaver, 7 from 70, IR.D% Only qualifiers.

3 O CHILLINGTON 190 W Brisbourne 8-10 ... D Griffishs (S) 5
4 00-0 SHAMANNO 14 B Meetins 8-10 ... R Carber 3
5 0-05 FOUR WEDDONGS 12 (V) M Bell 8-8 ... M Fembor 7
6 SCENE STEALER A Barrow 8-7 ... J Carwel 2
7 0-05 DREAM OF MY LIFE 11 P Murphy 8-6 ... M Advers 1

9-4 Belle's Boy, 3-1 Dream of My Lite, 7-2 Four Weddings, 9-2 Poty My Son, 6-1 Skerrand, 25-1 Chillington, Score Stealer

4.35 WEST MIDLANDS CONDITIONS STAKES

24,334; 77] (8)

1 202- DECORATED HERO 174 (D.F.S) 1 Goddin 4-98... J Carroll 1
2 000- CHICKAMICKA 174 (D.F.S) 1 Goddin 4-98... J Carroll 1
3 118- KI CHI SAEA 318 (D.F.S) J Donlop 48-12... G Carter 8
4 404- LAGO DI VARANO 160 (K.S) 1 Berry 48-12... A McClone 8
5 3010 PENGAMON 16 (F.S) H Columpidge 4-8-12... J Daten 5
6 // V PENGE RABAR 663 (D.S.) Bends 5-4-12... J Stack (S) 7
7 00-0 WELTON ANSEMAL 16 (F) M Champon 4-8-12... R Houghes 4
8 505- HOM MARGE 214 (F.S) M Bell 4-9-7... M Fernon 2 2-1 Deporated Hero, 3-1 Ki Chi Saga, 4-1 Lago Di Varano, 5-1 Hob Magic, 8-3 Welton Arsenal, 10-1 Perigamon, 12-1 others

5.05 EASTER HANDICAP (£3,398: 51) (20)

1 08-1 ALLWEIHT THEN 25 (0.8) R Peaceds 59-13 J D Smith (5) 11
2 50-6 JUST 808 13 (0.F.6.5) R Newtonet 7-9-9 J Carroll 13
3 660-PETRACO 161 (C.D.F.6.5) N Smith 89-7 Iona Wands (7) 20
4 10-00 TABL OS SURFR 82 (CD.F.6.5) N Smith 89-7. I Ashley (7) 14
5 652-JUCEA 161 (D.F.6.) J Specing 7-9-6 J The 19 J Chilm 7
6 50-2 Mallisti Mann 14 (0.6) S Mesor 4-9-6 J T Sprake 15
4404-PRIENDLY BRAVE 25 (0.C.5) Miss R Newtoney 6-9-6 M Feming 12

2 466-CAMPRIS MESOT TOLOGO D Pall 19-7 THE 4 DOWN 65 15 B 245- CANCIVAS HEART 761 (CO.G.S) Bob Jones 7-8-4 A Daty (5) 8 

18 5160 NEWINGTON BUTTS 18 (E.G.) K McAullin 6-8-4 M Newty (5) 3
19 2231 REPRIVIOUNE B (B.D.G.) I Hibrary 6-8-3 M Adams B
20 09-0 MAZZARELO 14 (V.D.F.G.) R Outle 6-7-13 C Adams B
5-1 Lice, 6-1 Sing With The Band, 7-1 Friendly Brane, 10-1 Chadwell Half, Our Strates, Makibu Mao, 14-1 others.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: Mrs. J. Cecil., 3 wingers from 6 numers, 50,0%; J. Dunlen, 11 from 43, 25,5%; F. Chappie-Hyan, 8 from 39, 30,5%; K. boxy, 5 from 25, 10,2%; M. Bell., 7 from 42, 16,7%; J. Berry, 12 from 74, 18,2%. JOCKEYS: M Feston, 4 minners from 25 pides, 16.0%; J Canoll, 3 from 19, 15.8%, 0 Griffishs, 4 from 26, 15.4%; 6 Carter, 13 from 88, 14.8%, Only qualifiers

Frankie Dettori took the honours at Haydock Park on Saturday when he rode a four-timer. Dettori, called up by Mark Johnston with the stable jockey Jason Weaver on duty at Kempton Park, won on Double Eclipse in the opening race — the BNFL Inside Conditions Stakes — and went on to successes in the next three races on Taipan, who deadheated with Lombardic. Westcourt Magic and Herodian.

3.50 JOHN DIXON HANDICAP CHASE

4.50 JOHN MCKIE MAIDEN HUNTERS CHASE (Amateurs: £1,155: 3m 2f) (5)

2 21-P SEAZEN GOLD 15P (F.S.S) J Barlow 10-12-7 ... O Burlow (7)
2 5PG - GLENBRICKEN SP (F) H Burlow 10-12-7 ... N Barlow (7)
3 222R ROYALST 7 (F.G.S) R kyle 10-12-7 ... Mar C Amps (7)
4 (201) WHOSTHAT 10 D Lamb 10-12-7 ... J Davids (7)
5 FP MADAME BECK 23P 6 Smith 7-11-9 ... M Smith (7) 4-6 Royalist, Evens Brazen Gold, 16-1 Glentricken, 20-1 Whoshint, 25-1 Madame Both.

5,20 FINALE INTERMEDIATE NATIONAL HUNT PLAT RACE (£1,529: 2m 1f) (14)

☐ John Carroll was given a two-day ban (April 15-16) for misuse of the whip on Roman Gold in the BNFL Succeeding Through Science Rated Handicap at Haydock on Saturday. PLUMPTON

THUNDERER 2.30 Equity's Darting, 3.00 Mr Primetime, 3.30 Days Of Thunder, 4.00 Flight Lieutenant, 4.30 Call Me River, 5.00 Hostile Witness.

GOING: FIRM (GOOD TO FIRM IN PLACES)

2.30 JEVINGTON JUVENILE NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,384: 2m 4f) (6 runners) 1 623 JUST-MANA-MOU 18 (B) W G M Turner 11-10 T C Murphy (7)
2 3006 THE GUARDS 23 J Ffect-Reyes 11-7 ... D Wasto (5)
3 510P KREEF 69 (6) R Cutts 11-8 ... D Wasto (5)
4 4022 60 JUTY'S DARLING R R R Brien 11-0 ... B Featon (3)
5 0600 VERDE LURA 13 O Around 11-0 ... Llawrence
6 U673 SUGHTLY SPECIAL 21 S 200 10-5 ... A Dicken 6-4 Equay's Opriong, 4-1 The Quade, 5-1 Just-Mara-Man, 8-1 Kreel, Shighby Special, 7-1 Verde Luna

3.00 HOLIDAY MAIDEN CHASE

(£2,889: 2m 2f) (8) 2 - SUP - FULL OF TRECKS 14 J Brater 8-11-7. D Monts
2 - SUP - SUBJAY THE JACKSHAW 23 (V) P Buser 9-11-7. B Fenton (3)
3 - ST23 - MR PRIMETRIKE 24 (BP) C Bracks 6-11-7. M Benry (7)
4 POLITICAL MEMBER 17 6 (Gallengs 13-11-7. IL TAMENICE
5 - D40P - SMOKEY THURSHER 31 S WOODTOON 6-11-7. M CERRON (7)
6 - DPUS - SULAR WARROOR 28 J Fisich-Heyes 6-11-7. M Stenarti
8 - PU - MR SON 19 Macs L Stelly 5-11-7. M Stenarti
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11 Mr - Braterian 7-7.5 Report - Dropter 4-11 Celebrater - 16-1 Steller - Dropter - Dropter 4-11 Celebrater - 16-1 Steller - Dropter - Dropter - 11-7. M CERRON (1)
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19 Mr - Brateri 4-11 Mr Prometona, 7-2 Smotley Thunder 8-1 Solar Warner, 16-1 Sweet Buck, 25-1 Political Member, Full Of Tricks, 33-1 others.

3.30 EASTER SELLING HANDICAP CHASE

1 P-PP HOLTERMANN 27 (D.F.G.S) Mrs. L Bours 12-12-9 2 (10,4%) Mr. 2 (10,4%) Mr. 2 (10,4%) Mr. 2 (10,4%) Mr. 2 (10,4%) Mr. 2 (10,4%) Mr. 3 Or P Princhard

ASPS THE WEST'S ASLEEP 28 (B) J Frinch-Hoyes 11-10-10 8 PP-UU RUSTIC CRAFT 32 (8) Miss I, Shedy 0-10-0. A Lamach (5) 9 5555 ACMILTIBUE 32 (0)F) F Yardiny 12-10-0 . E Murphy S-4 Natur, 3-2 Seys. Of Trunder, Hardscene Ned, 7-1 Troyan Call, 10-1 Adultion 10-1 The West's Assect 14-1 others

4.00 ALFRISTON NOVICES HURDLE (£2,868 2m 1f) (7)

4.30 ARERGAVENNY CHALLENGE CUP NOVICES HANDICAP CHASE (£3,006: 3m 1f 110yd) (5)

1 4:00 DESERT MIST 39 (B.F.G) Mess I. Shally 7-11-13 A Lamach (3)
2 5PUD ROCEROVE IR (F.S) R Proc 10-10-6 B Fentin (3)
3 46P SERMA BUJE 17 R Pugh 11-10-0 D STARMAT
4 3145 OMEDIDY IR (B.F.) Jackness 8-10-0 D Walch (5)
5 F255 CALL ME RIVER (24 P Hedger 8-10-0 Lawrence C Lawren

5.00 MANHATTAN BOY HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,574; 2m 4f) (9)

Z2,57 4; ZTT 417 (37)

1 0526 MAMASTE 2 (BLC,6,5) 6 Hood 8-12-0..... — M Berry (7)
2 00FB HOSTNE WITNESS 53 (VF,5) P Hedger 0-11-7. M Chadro (7)
3 5010 ESPRIT DE FEMBLE 28 (CD,F,5) 0 Browning 18-11-3
B Femble 28 5-2 Hammaste, 3-1 Faise Creek, 5-1 Españ De Fernane, Tel & Thon, 3-1 Script, Chestain's Crown, 12-1 others.

> 5 1223 JASON'S 807 12 (BF.F.G.S.) J Bradley 6-10-3 ..... G Crone 6 0-322 MMSS FFRN 18 (CD.G.S.) # Dicth. 11-10-8 .... P Hoghes (7) 7 P50 FREDS MELODY 32 F Tochet 11-10-7 ...... N Mann 8 2403 #HOMAN FUN 18 (C.G.) # Duckley 7-10-6 ... R Massey (5) 7-2 Miles Fern, 4-1 Ritemann Fern, Whekengale, 11-2 Ferny Burge, 6-1 Januar's Bor 13-2 Soul Trader, 7-1 Where:

THUNDERER 2.30 Cyrus The Great. 3.05 Squirrelsdaughter. 3.40 Wrekengale, 4.15 Forcing Two. 4.50 Hawaiian Sam. 5.25 Ice Cold in Alex. Carl Evans: 3.05 Squirrelsdaughter.

Going: Good to firm

2.30 ROSS-ON-WYE JUVENILE NOVICES HURDLE (£2,556: 2m 11) (8 numers)

5-4 Cyrus The Great, 2-1 Indian Jackey, 3-1 1ag On Tootsie, 13-1 Emerald Dave, 14-1 Southwick Park, 25-1 Burk For Comfort, 40-1 others.

3.05 JAMES DALY HUNTERS CHASE

(Amateurs: £2,318: 2m 3f) (13) 10 /0- BELL OF RISHTS 9P Mrs E Scott 8-11-10 ... 0 Luff (7)
11 ... PPD OPEN ASSENDA 38P Mes R Bezon 7-11-10 ... 1 Johnson (7)
12 ... 00 ... 0 USENS TOUR 37P 9 Reby 11-11-18 ... ... M Daby (7)
13 .0/PO (NEDWING 34 (5) P Waters 0-11-9 ... ... Miss E James (7)
7-4 letts, 3-1 Familiar Feerd, 6-1 Callens, 8-1 Septemboraugher, Hickstein Lad, 14-1 Enchanted Mar, Treylord, 20-1 others.

3.40 NEWTOWN HANDICAP CRASE (£3,404: 3m 11 110yd) (8)

**NEWTON ABBOT** THUNDERER 2.15 Cracking Prospect. 2.50 Crazy Horse Dancer. 3.25 Counterbalance, 4.00 Abbey Street. 4.35 Bells Life. 5.10 Forest Feather.

GOING: GOOD TO SOFT (SDFT IN PLACES)

2.15 PADDOCK SUITE NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,411: 2m 1f) (16 runners)

HURDLE (£2,411: 2m 1f) (16 rtmners)

1 AB22 SHEPHERUS REST 9 5 Mettor 4-11-12 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Jusider
2 4305 CRACKING PROSPECT 18 B Milmen 5-11-11 \_\_\_\_\_ D Salber (5)
3 P444 BETSCH-HORN BAND 10 0 Candotia 6-11-9 Soprie Milchell (5)
4 UP64 AMHLA 18 (5) Mes J Doyle 6-11-9 \_\_\_\_\_\_ S Curran
5 2823 MR PLAYREL 38 (I) B River 16-11-4 \_\_\_\_\_\_ J Prost.
6 6560 SAN DIEGO CHARGER 17 A Barnur 5-11-2 \_\_\_\_\_ J Lower
7 29-0 COURNECOLS KNIGHT 29 P Hymed 7-11-2 \_\_\_\_\_ J Lower
8 6530 GIEFY 147 (DLF) B Lieurallyn 4-11-1 \_\_\_\_\_\_ Mr J L Lieurallyn
10 5-00 TWSP 13 Nirs M Jones 5-11-0 \_\_\_\_\_ Mr J L Lieurallyn
10 5-00 TWSP 13 Nirs M Jones 5-11-1 \_\_\_\_\_\_ Mr J L Lieurallyn
11 -P00 SEYURO THE STARS 7 (6 Social 5-10-13 \_\_\_\_\_ A Dowling (7)
12 40-0 SEXDIES PROE 17 (7 Ham 5-18-13 \_\_\_\_\_ A Dowling (7)
13 2075 MISTER BLAKE 2 Mrs A Haroliton-Fairley 6-10-0 \_\_\_\_ B Microm (7)
14 P45 ELEABORA MUSE 32 (7 Famal 6-10-5 \_\_\_\_\_\_ Mr Griffilms (7)
16 /00 STAY HAPPY 10 A Newcombe 5-10-3 \_\_\_\_\_\_ Mr Griffilms (7)
16 /00 STAY HAPPY 10 A Newcombe 5-10-3 \_\_\_\_\_\_ Mr Griffilms (7)
3-3 Shepherts Rest, 7-2 Mr Payhut, 9-2 Bletschborn Bard, 6-1 Cracking Prospect, 3-1 Shepherits Rest, 7-2 Mr Playfull, 9-2 Bletschlorn Bard, 6-1 Cracking Prospect, 8-1 Bhannaz Mase, Whispering Court, 12-1 Gayly, 14-1 others.

2.50 TERRACE RESTAURANT SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,926: 2m 6l) (16)

HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,926; 2m 6) (16)

1 U290 FOX CHAPEL 25F (6,5) & Juckes 9-12-0. Mr Attwator (7)
2 P006 RHATEN 19 (6)F,6,5) Mr Pipe 9-12-0. Mr Attwator (7)
2 P006 RHATEN 19 (6)F,6,5) Mr Pipe 9-11-8. C Maude
4 6-24 CHAZY HURSE DANGER 16 (F,6,5) F Jordan 8-11-7. J Londer
5 9463 ALLCE'S MERFOR 7 (6,5) K Beshop 7-11-4. Mr J L Ulweshyn
7 -27P MEGNAMARCH 16 (V) & Justes 8-10-8. J Frost
8 P0073 DANES DELABENT 11 (20,5) R Budset 10-10-6. G Supple (7)
10 -00P P10 DANGER 35 H Oliver 7-10-1. Mr S M Coomribe
11 00P0 MRSE PIMETENE 35 (E) M Coombe 13-10-0. Mr Griffitis (7)
12 -PPP ROSE LANGASTER 26 (E) Mr Griffitis 13-10-0. Mr Griffitis (7)
13 P470 CELTIC LILLEY 11 (B) it Hoad 8-10-0. Mr Griffitis (7)
15 SPOR DRASDOMARCT 5 (E) F Jordan 6-10-0. Mr Griffitis (7)
15 SPOR DRASDOMARCT 5 (E) F Jordan 6-10-0. D Subjec (7)
16 -P00 VALLEY'S CHOICE 1B S Stowns 7-10-0. D Subjec (7)
11-4 Crayy Hosso Dancer, 7-2 Alber's Mirror, 5-1 Kristir, Saler, Hosse 11-4 Crary Horse Dancer, 7-2 Alice's Milror, 5-1 Khatir, Siza Burn, 8-1 Stawis Delight, 12-1 Shanakee, 16-1 Fox Chapel, 20-7 others

#### TOWCESTER

THUNDERER 2.15 Stapleford Lady, 2.45 Drumcutten, 3.15 Frozen Drop, 3.50 Westerly Gale, 4.25 Teaplanter, 4.55 Euro Singer,

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM

Carl Evans: 4.25 Teaplanter.

2.15 ADSTONE SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,059: 2m) (7 runners)

1 140P STAPLEFORD LADY 23 (F) 1 Moore 8-11-10. W McCarland 2 PPP2 RES PSA (DOLUME 25 (CD.S.)) R Pearse 9-11-5 Manda Somb 7, 3 OPP4 DESTAP HOME 2 (V.D.S.) A Jones 9-10-13 S Road (5) 4 152 CAPTAIN CHROME 517 (CD.F.6) K Rudgesies 9-18-11 9-4 Captain Dirome, 3-1 Res Ibsa Legador, 4-1 Stagletard Ledy, 6-1 Yogay Ledky. 8-1 Dameada, 10-1 Sandro, 12-1 Distort Haros

2.45 HOILE NOVICES HANDICAP CHASE (£2,952: 2m 110yd) (4)

1 OUP2 ORUMOULLEN 75 h Bailey 7-11-10. W MicFarland
2 2904 SIZ73MG AFFAR 40 M filliancon 7-11-8 P Crowley (7)
3 0PF6 RUBY'S GRIL 29 A Turnel 6-10-5 J Leesh
4 POOU MASTER PANGLOSS 20 A Turnel 6-10-5 A 7ory 5-4 Drumeulien, 2-1 Suzikog Alfan, 7-2 Ruby's Girl. 0-1 Master Pangloss

3.15 PHILIP BRANGWYN MEMORIAL HANDICAP

3 0231 ITS A StoP 9 (B.D.G.S) C Mann 11-11-1 W Inchastand
4 6-2P TITLS ANDROXCOS 129 (B.D.) N Casales 9-10-13 R Finespan (7)
5 3340 CARSON CITY 21 (6) M Villancon 9-10-9 P Crowley (7)
6-4 Andros Prince 11-4 Its A Stop 9-2 Finespan Crap, Talas Andromaus 8-1 Carson

3.50 PENRHYN HANDICAP HURDLE

(£2,618: 3m) (7)

1 6245 STORM DRUM 13 (9,0,F,G,S) & Baley 7-11-7R J Magec (3)
2 006P THE BOILER WHITE 19 (F,S) T Thomson Jones 6-11-8
Miss V Halph 3 3-00 WESTERNY GALE 39 21 Figures on 6-10-11 Miss V Haligh
3 3-00 WESTERNY GALE 39 21 Figures on 6-10-11 Miss V Haligh
4 1320 CLASH DF CYMBALS 93 (61.0 2 Loop 7-10-0 W McFarland
5 P-PP ROCKTOR 1.0 DF.(5.8) N LISTON-Danes 11-10-3 A Shadaspeare
6 5-500 RAMANIAH 28 (6.51.1 Winte 7-10-0 O Figures (7)
7 0-00 ROMANY BLUES 32 A Junes 7-10-0 O Figures (7)
1 Storm Danit 3-1 WesterNo Cain 6-1 Clash N County 5-1 Storm Drum, 3-1 Westerly Gale, 6-1 Clash Of Cymbols, 7-1 Rocktor, 18-1 The Boller White, 12-1 Ramediate, 16-1 Romany Blocs

4.25 21ST YEAR OF THE SCHILIZZI 1906 SEVENTY YEARS COMMEMORATIVE CHALLENGE CUP HUNTERS CHASE (Amateurs; £1,306; 2m 6f) (6) 4 SPP- TREYFORD 33SP (D.F.C.S) R Smith 10-12-0 .... A Mar 5 2-00 WINDDLANDS CENHARE 289 (V.C.F) P Principal 11-12-0

4-9 Teaplanter, 4-1 Blakes Orphan, 8-1 Knockumshin, 16-1 Woodlands Genture, 33-1 Texplant, 50-7 Bublical

4.55 DUNCOTE MAIDEN HURDLE (£3,143; 2m) (13) LS, 14-3; 2(TI) (13)

1 005 COSA RURR 23 & Bailey 8-11-2. J Magge (3)
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4 00PP BOYAL HAND 21 M Madapinch 6-11-2. S Ryan (5)
5 -051 SUPPERME NORMAN 16 J Pictoring 0-11-2. S Ryan (5)
6 0 MAY MISSILE 84 M Madapinch 5-10-11. Mr Septimey 77
7 -U00 MURS LUCY 13 J Pictoring 5-18-11. Mr B Profect (5)
8 8- PROSCENDIM 315 M Wilmrson 7-10-11. Mr B Profect (5)
9 6P42 SCAMALLACI 13 (8) J Septimes 6-10-11. J Raidien
18 53 CLEAN EDGE 13 M Tompture 4-10-10. J Raidien
19 55 COMMANCHE STORM 205 W Misma 8-10-10. Mr R Vercio
10 05 EURO SINGER 12 P Windows 4-10-10. Mr R Vercio
10 05 EURO SINGER 12 P Windows 4-10-15. Mr R Lawriner
13 05 CALCARY (BRIL 18 P Righters 4-10-15. A Tory
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6-2 Supreme Norman, 7-2 Chean Edge, 5-1 Scatnellach, 7-1 Euro Songer, 8-1 Cosa Fuan, 12-1 Royal Darkia, Nastecal George, 16-1 others

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4. 15 HOLIDAY NOVICES SELLING HURDLE

(£2,080: 3m 2l) (16)

4.50 MARLBROOK NOVICES CHASE (£2,955: 2m) (7) 2.15 BONE SETTER 19 (D.BF.F.G.S) S Mellor 0-12-3 ... // Mann 2 F44P CAPTAIN STOCKPORD 16 P Weymann 9-11-3 ... 1 Jenses 14 Mellor 15 Mellor 16 Consta 14 Mellor 16 5-4 Hamasan Sazu, 6-4 Bone Sezier, 1-1 Captain Stockhard, 8-1 Quick Mullion, 25-5 Korry Jame, Ice Magne, 50-1 Raverspur

(£2.906: 2m 3f 110yd) (12)

5.25 PETERSTOW NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE 

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7-4 Titan Empresa, 2-1 Myblackhorn, 5-1 Countestalance, 7-1 Seasamacamale, 8-1 Northern Optimist, 12-1 Evanguillas, 14-1 Prudant Paggy, 26-1 others. 4.00 HOUND TOUR FOUR YRS OLD NOVICES

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3 51PP SANTASTIC FLEET (Z) (S) Miss J Doyler 10-12 S Claran
4 PP MOCED MODO 30 B B Limethyn 10-7 Mr J L Levellyn
5 MRVASHA 10F R Hoad 10-7 Mr J L Declaration 11-5 Claran
5-4 Abbrey Street, 11-4 Handson, 3-1 Fantastic Fleet, 9-2 Nivesba, 66-1 Missel

4.35 HILL BREEZE NOVICES CHASE (£2,944: 2m 5f 110yd) (5)

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2 -030 LORD MITROGEN 11 B Lieuellyn 6-11-2 Ma J L Lieuellyn
3 4544 DLDHEL WODD 12 (V.S) S Maior 8-11-2 J Coddin
4 PP SLANEY FRANCE 17 D Lloyd 8-11-2 Sophie Mitchell (5
5 302F PEARL'S CHOICE 23 J McConnoctive 8-18-11 S Center 1-3 Bells Life, 5-1 Pearl's Choice, 8-1 Oldhill Wood, 12-1 Lord Mittagen, 20-Simmy France.

5.10 TEIGN SUITE HANDICAP HURDLE (£3,697: 2m 6f) (9)

9-4 Lying Eyes, 7-2 Latodowne, 4-1 Bullens Bay, 5-1 Mick The Beak, 7-1 Fort Faather, 10-1 Minnehoma, 12-1 Handy Lass, 14-1 others.

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## Regiment's march earns Webster another stripe

By RICHARD EVANS, RACING CORRESPONDENT

A CAPTAIN of British industry emerged yesterday as one of the luckiest racehorse owners in the land after Regiment marched into 2,000 Guineas reckoning by winning the Easter Stakes at Kempton on Saturday.

Webster, deputy chairman of the Argyll group, which includes the Safeway supermarket chain, only became interested in racing four years ago when he met Harry Herbert, who manages High-clere Throughbred Racing, and bought a share in one of his syndicates.

A stroke of good fortune saw Webster become partowner of Lake Coniston, the outstanding July Cup winner, and the useful Numbered Account - and his total investment of £9,000 ended in

dividends of around £80,000. Now lightning appears to have struck in the same place twice as Webster has bought a share in a syndicate which owns Regiment, trained by Richard Hannon, who quickened decisively inside the final furlong to land the classic trial and a first prize of £12,000.

David Webster originally became involved because my then wife-to-be, Chica. was a professional caterer who organised directors' lunches. He always used to pop his head round the door afterwards to say thank you and Chica asked one day if he was interested in racing. He

RICHARD EVANS

Nap: NOBLE SPRINTER (3.40 Kempton Park) Next best: High Priority (3.10 Kempton Park)

wasn't, but agreed to see me and Lake Coniston became his first involvement in racing."

Herbert explained yesterday. Webster added: "1 am still very much a novice, but it's been tremendous fun and I have introduced a very good friend to one of his syndicates. Luck obviously plays an enormous part but I have friends who look on with real envy at what I have achieved."

Wayne Basler from Texas. Michael Brower who started the Garfunkels restaurant chain, and Lord Hambleden are three other members of the 30-strong Regiment syndicate who also owned part of Lake Coniston.

Apart from highlighting the success of Herbert's operation, Regiment's victory is also testimony to the shrewd buying skills of John Warren, who bought Lake Consiston for \$22,000 as a yearling and spent just Ir E12,000 on Regiment at Goffs sales Hannon has now won the

Easter Stakes four times in five years and he rates the son of Shaadi as good as Lucky Lindy, who went on from Kempton in 1992 to finish runner-up to Rodrigo De Triano in the 2,000 Guineas.

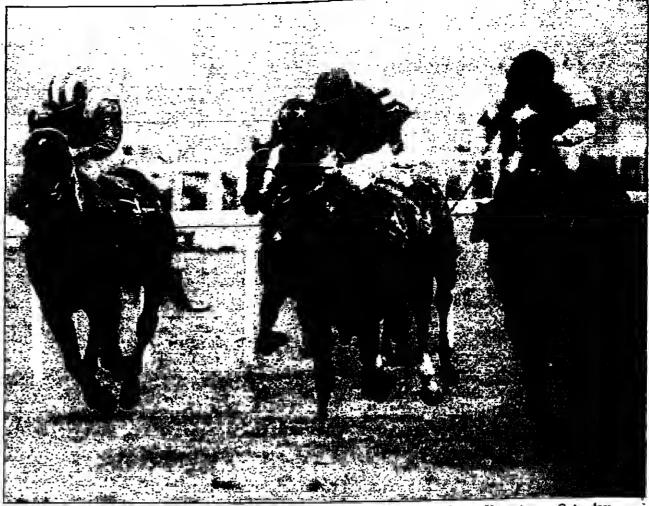
The trainer said: "He's got a turn of foot and we were worried about him staying because he has showed so much speed at home. In fact,

he's been working with our sprinters and we had to come here to find out if he gets a mile. He's more of a speed horse than Lucky Lindy but he looks a proper Guineas horse now that he gets the trip." A 100-1 shot on Saturday

morning for the first colts' classic, he was trimmed to 33-1 by Coral and William Hill after his length success over Centre Stalls, with Elshabiba the same distance away in third. The ten runners dawdled early on and the final time was slower than that clocked by the fillies in the Masaka Stakes, which suited Regiment admirably.

Another captain of industry.

Lord Weinstock of GEC, had every reason to be pleased after Sea Spray came out top in a blanket finish to the Masaka Stakes, although it is unlikely the Peter Chapple-Hyam-trained daughter of Royal Academy will take on Bosra Sham and Blue Duster at Newmarket. The Irish 1,000 Guineas is a more likely



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Regiment, right, storms through in the final furlong to take the Easter Stakes at Kempton on Saturday

#### KEMPTON PARK

THUNGERER

2.10 Atlantic Storm 2.40 Polonaise Prince 3,10 Hard To Figure

4.10 Captain Horatius 4.40 Face The Future

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 4.45 STOPPES BROW.

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2,10 ATLANTIC STORM (nap).

#### **GUIDE TO OUR RACECARD**

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403 (3) 06006-2 The PUZZLER 16 (D.F.G.S) (Lad) Fickard Wellesley; B Hills 5-8-2 W Carson 93
404 (6) 200524- WAMMAN 215 (F) (S at Homes) P. Hamon 4-9-7 . J Red 83
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.40 WESTMINSTER TAXI INSURANCI ROSEBERY HANDICAP (£12,892: 1m 2f) (20 runners)

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FORM FOCUS

BEHAVIOURI neck 3rd to Tajanoch in handicap at Goodwood (71, good to firm) SHEER DAXZIG beat Sadies's Walk 4 in handicap at York (1m 21 65yd, good to firm), RINGS ASSEMBLY 1 3rd 25yd, good to sit a bandacap at the sadies's Walk 4 in handicap at Goodward (1m 21 65yd, good to say the same at the sadies) at the sadies at Goodward (1m 21 60yd, good to say the sadies) at the sadies at Goodward (1m 21 60yd, good).

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1895: GONE SAVAGE 7-8-0 P McCabe (25-1) W LLISCON 17 FEF

5.15 STARK MAIDEN STAKES (Div II: £3,298-7f) (16 numbers) 

SETTING: 3-1 Voodoo Rocket. 4-1 Cml Liberty. 6-1 Freequent. Thes. 6-1 Reveuse De Jose. 10-1 offers

## **Poppy Carew is** ready to flower

KEMPTON PARK

CHANNEL 4 2.40: Samraan was considered good enough to run in

the Houghton Conditions Stakes on his debut at Newmarket last year and, although John Dunlop's colt got left behind early on, he stayed on pleasingly in the last furlong and is sure to improve. Indeed, his pedigree suggests he will come into his own over today's longer trip. The champion trainer has his string well forward. Clerkenwell cost \$230,000 and the Sadler's Wells colt will also appreciate this distance after shaping very well behind Heron Island at Doncaster late last season. However, Generosa arguably showed the best form of those to have raced and the Generous filly may offer some value.

3.10: The Puzzler is aptly named having shown inand-out form in Ireland last year. The Sharpo gelding ran particularly well in the mud behind Fire Dome in Doncaster's Cammidge Trophy and a reproduction of that form would give Barry Hills's runner a cracking chance. However, given his lack of consistency and today's quicker ground, I am more than hopeful that High Priority will oblige. Described by his trainer, Mick Channon, as potentially the best horse in the yard, he was not far behind the best juvenile sprinters last term and was only just beaten by Muhbij in the Roses Stakes at York. Of the remainder. Wavian and Hard To Figure command

the most respect.



TODAY'S RACES ON TELEVISION

3.40: John Dunlop's firsttime-out strike-rate with older horses - 33 per cent last season - tells its own story and it would not surprise if Special Dawn follows up his success in this race last year. Sheer Danzig won first time out last year and looked impressive when stepped up to this distance at York under today's rider, Frankie Dettori. However, Noble Sprinter, from the in-form Richard Hannon yard, looks value at around 16-1 in a competitive heat. His form was progressive in decent races last season and he should be suited by a first attempt at this trip.

4.15: This is a cracking contest, with several fancied runners. The John Dunloptrained Captain Horatius, winner of this race in 1993 and last year, has been working well at Arundel, while stablemate Medaille Militaire improved throughout last season. Florid and Wijara have the form to win but Poppy Carew is capable of causing an upset at a decent price. Placed in group two company on her final start last year, she merits each-way support.

RICHARD EVANS

#### CHEPSTOW

2.00 Potentate. 2.30 Debutante Days, 3.00 Straight Talk. 3.30 Nordic Valley, 4.00 Mr President, 4.30

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM (GOOD IN PLACES)

2.00 CASTLE HOVICES HURDLE (£2,766: 2m 110yd) (12 runners)

5-4 Potentale, 9-4 Tarrock, 4-1 Mr Conductor, 10-1 Lady Peta, 12-1 others.

2.30 WELSH CHAMPION HURDLE (\$7,259; 2m 110yd) (7)

7-4 Clition Beal, 3-1 Debutante Days, Absalom's Lady 1-1 others.

3.00 FULKE WALWYN HANDICAP CHASE

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4 P056 LAKE TEEREEN 20 (C.F.G.S) J Old 11-18-11 ... G Upton 5 /34 BUCK WILLOW 13 (D.F.G.S) J Gölord 12-10-7 ... P Hida 6 149F SEOD P066A 9 (F.G.S) 5 Mellor 7-10-5 ... D Bridgwater 2-1 Straight Talls, 3-1 Mr Filmagan, 5-1 Bluck Willow, 8-1 Lake Teerees, 13-2 Seod Brogs, 7-1 Hops And Page

3.30 SPRINGTIME CLAIMING HURDLE (£2,073: 2m 4f 110yd) (10)

-4 Jerussoph, 3-1 Mordic Valley, 7-2 Shu Fly, 4-1 Test Match, 12-1 Wardada, 14-6 James John, 16-1 Otters.

4.00 EASTER BONNET HANDICAP CHASE

4.30 EASTER SURPRISE HANDICAP HURDLE

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1 4231 LEAD YOCALIST 31 (D.G.S) R Rown 1-11-10.... D O'Station
2 2190 MALWOOD CASTLE 51 (D.G.) R Abor B-10-11 Mr P Hentey (
3 3366 BAVARRYA 33 (BF.F) N Headerson 5-10-9... MA R Regent
4 0043 SUPPRIME MASTER 17 (BF.S) Mrs S Johnson 6-10-6 B Bradt
5 POOI ROSCILL 6 (F.S) Mrs M Jones 10-10-0 (Sex) .... D Bridgweit 2-1 Lead Vocalca, 3-1 Rosgill, 7-2 Bayanyka, Malwood Castle, 8-1 Supreme Master

> KEMPTON PARK SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: P Chapple-Hyam, 4 win-HANNERS: P Grapple-rryam, 4 win-ners from 12 numers, 33.3%, M Haynes, 4 from 13, 30.8%; R Charlon, 13 from 56, 23.2%; G Wragg, 7 from 36, 19.4%; R Armstrong, 6 from 32, 18.8%; Pat Mitchell, 3 from 16, 18.8%; B Henbury, 7 from 38, 18.4%; J Fanshawe, 10 from 55, 18.2%.

JOCKEYS: O R McCabe, 4 winners from 17 rides, 23.5%; Pat Eddery, 39 from 192, 19.8%; M Hills, 13 from 81, 16 0%; T Ouimn, 29 from 200, 14.5%; S Sanders, 3 from 21, 14.3%; W Woods, 4 from 29, 13.6%; L Detton, 21 from 157, 13.4%; W Ryan, 9 from 77, 11.7%, J Reid, 15 from 142, 11.3%.

## Bridgwater keeps up title pursuit

DAVID BRIDGWATER yes- winners. I'll take a couple of terday pledged to cootinue his challenge for the jump jockeys' championship after finally riding his hundredth winner of the season at New-ton Abbot on Saturday. The 25-year-old is 37 behind

Tony McCoy in the riders' table, but said: "I will keep going for the title. I'll ride every horse that comes my way and if there are the 35 or 40 winners among them that I need I will ride them." Bridgwater completed his

first seasonal century on Balasani, having been stuck on 99 winners since March 27. "It has been over a week but it was worth the wait," he said. Bridgwater is happy with life in his first season as stable jockey to Martin Pipe. "I am delighted with how things have gone and I would pick out Cyborgo's win in the Stavers" Hurdle as the high. Stayers' Hurdle as the highlight of the season as it was my first big winner for Mr Pipe," he said. Paul Holley, however, will

not be in action in the coming weeks. He faces four weeks on the sidelines after taking a heavy fall from Givus A Buck at Newton Abbot.

X-rays at Torbay General Hospital confirmed the jockey will be out of action until early next month. "I have cracked a rib and chipped a bone in a vertebra and it is very sore." Holley said. "It is very disappointing as, though all the big races have gone. I'll probably miss a couple of, Knight.

days to get over it then have a

Ironically, Givus A Buck gave Holley one of the biggest wins of his career in the Ritz Club Chase at Cheltenham in 1993. The 30-year-old is stable jockey to David Elsworth, for whom he rode Oh So Risky to victory in the Daily Express Triumph Hurdle in 1991. Jim Culloty, the amateur



Bridgwater: first hundred

rider, continued his fine season with a 110-1 treble at Towcester on Saturday. Culloty, attached to Henrietta Knight's stable, was successful on Jimmy Harris's Rain-N-Sun (16-1), the Tim

Thomson Jones-trained Sartorius (11-8) and Hermes Harvest (7-4) for his employer. Last weekend Culloty rode his first Aintree winner on Stompin, also trained by

## NEWCASTLE

2.25 Eilte Force. 2.55 Nostalgic Air, 3.25 Sel Expression. 3.5 High Premium. ssion. 3.55 Captain Carat, 4.25 Athenry. 4.55 Our Newmarket Correspondent: 4.25 Athenry.

GOING GOOD DRAW: 5F-7F, HIGH NUMBERS BEST SIS

2.25 NATIONAL PIRE SERVICE BENEVOLENT FUND MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-O: £3,556: 1m) (12 runners) 3-1 Terded, 7-2 Servoriphy, 5-1 Ette Force, 8-1 Duo Masier, 10-1 Victory Bound Sollary Sun. 12-1 others.

2.55 EUROPEAN BREEDERS FUND CAP HEATON ANTOMA'S CHOICE I Bury B-11 K Darley
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TRADING ACES M BOR B-11 K Falton 5-2 Antonic's Choice, Lyckus Touch, 9-2 Tracking Aces, 6-1 Top Of The Wind, 1-1 Nessingic Air, 8-1 Mee's Drummand, 18-1 others.

3.25 ANGERTON APPRENTICE SELLING HANDICAP (£2.190: 1m) (19)

1 (9) 6-00 MASTER OF THE HOUSE 18 (D.F.) M Havet 2 111) 26-0 SELF EXPRESSION 9 (CD.F.6.5) Mrs J Rendem 8-9-6
3 (16) 000- MOVE SEARTLY 181 (D.F. F.Lm. 8-9-6 \_\_\_ 6 Familiars
4 (3) 630- POUR LAVE R.YER 181 E Alson 4-9-2. C Hallman (10)
5 (7) 000- SHAREOFTHEACTION 184 81 Mrs A Buselber 6-0. 3 (16) 000- MOVE SKARTILY 161 (0.F) F Lan 8-9-5 \_\_ G Fail 4 (3) 630- FOUR LANE RYER 181 E Alston 4-9-2. C Hallwell 5 (7) 000- SKAREOFTHEACTION 154 (6) Mes A Mulphan 5-9-0 5 (7) 000 SHAREOFTERICTION 154 (6) Mrs A Nauphinn 5-9-0 J Domisis 150 ON MATS OF TO HILDA 594 Mrs M Reveley 4-9-0 R Sentin (5) 7 (44) 9-05 HARCA STORY 74 (7) N Librardin 4-9-12 J Bramfolt (5) 8 1(7) 05-3 BRLAND LEVY 11 (7) J Mainrength 4-9-12 J Bramfolt (5) 9 (2) 47-0 PASH 4 (4),53 (7 Fathers 4-9-11 — P Cont. (5) 10 (4) 05-0 DIRECE (10) PS J J Clart 4-9-9 — A Colgan (7) 11 (5) POO CLEWARLY 21 J VOL (6) B Marray 5-9 — C Scutder (3) 12 (12) 105 — MAPOLEON'S RETEX N 103 A Marray 5-9 — C Scutder (3) 12 (12) 105 — MAPOLEON'S RETEX N 103 HArmason 3-9-3 — Levy Beacon (10) 6 10 40-0 PARATTON BMACER 5 J Borry 3-9-3 Levy M Section (10) 6 (13) 000 — HER COMES RESISE 41 M Showy 4-7-13 — T From (5) 9 (15) 10 000 — SELV COMES MATS (6) 20 Mrs V 3-13 — R (Mailles (6) 9 (19) —000 — A MATTONEAN 21 (6,00) J Borry 1-7-11 — R (Mailles (6) 9 (19) —000 — O SELV COMES MEST 6 G Globrod 3-1-10 — R (Mailles (6) 9 (19) —000 — O SELV COMES MEST 6 G Globrod 3-1-10 — R (Mailles (7) 2 Mrs V 3-1-10 — R (Mail

7-2 Self Expression, 5-1 Seture Lady, 7-1 Mapateon's Return, 10-1 others.

3.55 NEWCASTLE RACES FREE HOPPER

HANDICAP (£3,680: 5f) (19)

1 (5) 06-0 SADDLEHOME 13 (CD.F.G.S) T Barron 7-19-0 J Farming (27) 10-0 HISCIBH TRADER 144 (7J) Mr. Ramsden 59-31 T Finn (7) 3 (9) 05-0 ANSELBAWN 13 (B.D.F.S) J Beny 6-6. P Roberts (5) 4 (3) 10-0 LA SUQUET 13 (D.F.N Trader 49-6. Thres (5) 17) 020-0 CUMAR ARE 184 (B.D.E.S.) J Wates 5-9-5 N Compositor (5) 170-0 COLUMN RAWE 194 (B.D.E.S.) J Wates 5-9-5 N Compositor (5) 10-0 COLUMN RAWE 194 (B.D.E.S.) J Wates 5-9-5 N Compositor (6) 1-40 SHADON RIBY 13 (B.D.F.G.) I Easterly 4-9-2. M Branch (6) 1-40 SHADON RIBY 13 (B.D.F.G.) D Compositor 6-9-1. L. Charmock (6) 1-40 SHADON RIBY 13 (B.D.F.G.) D Compositor 6-9-1. L. Charmock (7) 170-0 PAMASEY MOSE (10) (7) C Fathers 3-8-13. N Kennedy (11) 170-170 WHITE SORRE 40 (6) A Harmoon 5-8-11. G Faulture (7) (1) 00-2 PLUM RISST 9 (D.F.G.S) U. Lames 8-8-10. Nich Hert (7) (1) 170-0 C PLUM RISST 9 (D.F.G.S) U. Lames 8-8-10. Nich Hert (7) (1) 170-0 C PLUM RIBST 9 (D.F.G.S) U. Lames 8-8-10. Nich Hert (7) (1) 170-0 C PLUM RIBST 9 (D.F.G.S) U. Lames 8-8-10. Nich Hert (7) (1) 170-0 C PLUM RIBST 9 (D.F.G.S) U. Lames 8-10. Nich Hert (7) (1) 170-0 C PLUM RIBST 9 (D.F.G.S) U. Lames 8-10. Nich Hert (7) (1) 170-0 C PLUM RIBST 9 (D.F.G.S) U. Lames 8-10. Nich Hert (7) (1) 170-0 C PLUM RIBST 9 (D.F.G.S) U. Lames 8-10. Nich Hert (7) (1) 170-0 C PLUM RIBST 9 (D.F.G.S) Nich Hert (7) (1) 170-0 C PLUM RIBST 9 (D.F.G.S) Nich Hert (7) (1) 170-0 C PLUM RIBST 9 (D.F.G.S) Nich Hert (7) (1) 170-0 C PLUM RIBST 9 (D.F.G.S) Nich Hert (7) (1) 170-0 C PLUM RIBST 9 (D.F.G.S) Nich Hert (7) (1) 170-0 C PLUM RIBST 9 (D.F.G.S) Nich Hert (7) (1) 170-0 C PLUM RIBST 9 (D.F.G.S) Nich Hert (7) (1) 170-0 C PLUM RIBST 9 (D.F.G.S) Nich Hert (7) (1) 170-0 C PLUM RIBST 9 (D.F.G.S) Nich Hert (7) (1) 170-0 C PLUM RIBST 9 (D.F.G.S) Nich Hert (7) (1) 170-0 C PLUM RIBST 9 (D.F.G.S) Nich Hert (7) (1) 170-0 C PLUM RIBST 9 (D.F.G.S) Nich Hert (7) (1) 170-0 C PLUM RIBST 9 (D.F.G.S) Nich Hert (7) (1) 170-0 C PLUM RIBST 9 (D.F.G.S) Nich Hert (7) (1) 170-0 C PLUM RIBST 9 (D.F.G.S) Nich Hert (7) (1) 170-0 C PLUM HANDICAP (£3,680: 5f) (19) 5-1 Bollin Harry, C-1 Captain Casal, Assellman, 9-1 Plum First, 18-1 others.

4.25 BELSAY MEDIAN AUCTION MAIDEN STAKES, (3-Y-0: £2,853: 1m 4f 93yd) (5) (3) 55- ATHERTY 183 J Pearts 9-0 ... G Barthrell (4) COMAC'S RTUTHE P Chapte-Hearn 9-0 ... K Darby (2) 90 TOPANOORA BAY 21 May V Acquiev 0-0 ... T leves (5) 225- DISALLOWED 194 M Bell 8-9 ... G Fauther (7) 89 ... K Fallon (1) 8- HVAR CLOSER 205 W Kessp 8-9 ... K Fallon (7) 60-6 ... K F 4-7 Cornic's Future, 3-1 Disallowed, 7-2 Athenry, 33-1 Plan Closer, 50-1

4.55 BYWELL HANDICAP

(18) 000 - CALL ME I'M BLUE 160 (G.S.) N Tolder 6-10-0... I here (19) 10-0 MGHT WWK 17 (D.F.) D Netholks 4-9-13 Martin Dwyer (7) 5 (6) 000 - 1ANNALI 206 (CD.F.S.) 1 Dver 7-8-13 ... G Fauthrer (7) 5 (6) 000 - SAGESTIN 807 144 (C.D.) P Calver 6-9-10 Dale (Bloom 6) (3) 000 - SAGESTIN ROLLER 157 (CD.F.G.S.) J Watts 8-9-18 W Demonsters (19) 1000 - SAGESTIN SH ROLLER 157 (CD.F.G.S.) J Watts 8-9-18 W Demonsters (19) 1000 - SAGESTIN SH ROLLER 157 (CD.F.G.S.) J Watts 8-9-18 W Demonsters (19) 1000 - SAGESTIN SH ROLLER 157 (CD.F.G.S.) J Watts 8-9-18 W Demonsters (19) 1000 - SAGESTIN SH ROLLER 157 (CD.F.G.S.) J Watts 8-9-18 W Demonsters (19) 1000 - SAGESTIN SH ROLLER 157 (CD.F.G.S.) J Watts 8-9-18 W Demonsters (19) 1000 - SAGESTIN SH ROLLER 157 (CD.F.G.S.) J Watts 8-9-18 W Demonsters (19) 1000 - SAGESTIN SH ROLLER 157 (CD.F.G.S.) J Watts 8-9-18 W Demonsters (19) 1000 - SAGESTIN SH ROLLER 157 (CD.F.G.S.) J Watts 8-9-18 W DEMONSTERS (19) 1000 - SAGESTIN SH ROLLER 157 (CD.F.G.S.) J Watts 8-9-18 W DEMONSTERS (19) 1000 - SAGESTIN SH ROLLER 157 (CD.F.G.S.) J Watts 8-9-18 W DEMONSTERS (19) 1000 - SAGESTIN SH ROLLER 157 (CD.F.G.S.) J Watts 8-9-18 W DEMONSTERS (19) 1000 - SAGESTIN SH ROLLER 157 (CD.F.G.S.) J Watts 8-9-18 W DEMONSTERS (19) 1000 - SAGESTIN SH ROLLER 157 (CD.F.G.S.) J Watts 8-9-18 W DEMONSTERS (19) 1000 - SAGESTIN SH ROLLER 157 (CD.F.G.S.) J Watts 8-9-18 W DEMONSTERS (19) 1000 - SAGESTIN SH ROLLER 157 (CD.F.G.S.) J WATTS (19) 1000 - SAGESTIN SH ROLLER 157 (CD.F.G.S.) J Watts 8-9-18 W DEMONSTERS (19) 1000 - SAGESTIN SH ROLLER 157 (CD.F.G.S.) J WATTS (19) 1000 - SAGESTIN SH ROLLER 157 (CD.F.G.S.) J WATTS (19) 1000 - SAGESTIN SH ROLLER 157 (CD.F.G.S.) J WATTS (19) 1000 - SAGESTIN SH ROLLER 157 (CD.F.G.S.) J WATTS (19) 1000 - SAGESTIN SH ROLLER 157 (CD.F.G.S.) J WATTS (19) 1000 - SAGESTIN SH ROLLER 157 (CD.F.G.S.) J WATTS (19) 1000 - SAGESTIN SH ROLLER 157 (CD.F.G.S.) J WATTS (19) 1000 - SAGESTIN SH ROLLER 157 (CD.F.G.S.) J WATTS (19) 1000 - SAGESTIN SH ROLLER 157 (CD.F.G.S.) J WATTS (19) 1000 - SAGESTIN SH ROLLER 157 (CD 14 (10) 840- TOO HASTY 177 (D.F.) 1 Extends 3-8-13 8D Williams 51 120 621- GRYSTAL FALLS 171 (F) 2-J O'Nest 3-8-13 8D Williams 51 16 113) 00-0 BIRCHWOOD SUN 9 (CD.F.G.S.) M Dods 6-8-10 19 (17) 229- FLYAWAY BLUES 206 Mrs M Reveley 4-B-3 D McKepown 98 (15) 5-00 BOGART 73 (V.D.G.) C Favilural 5-8-2 ... T Williams 87

6-1 Sagetrush Roller, 8-1 High Premium, Blue Borrber, 10-1 Scarabon, Crystal Fails, 12-1 Call Me I'm Blue, Master Charler, 14-1 others. COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRANERS: J Gooden, 7 winners from 20 namers, 25,0%; J Dunion, 11 from 35, 31,4%, M Stoute, 13 from 44, 29,5%; M Bell, 8 from 97, 21,6%; P Calver, 4 from 21, 19,0%; E Alston, S from 27, 18,5%, J.Occepts: N Commorton, 12 winners from 69 notes, 17,4%; K Durley, 25 from 179, 14%; K Felton, 13 from 114, 11,4%; M Birch, 14 from 123, 11,3%; L Chaminock, 8 from 79, 10,1%; O McKeonn, 8 from 60, 19,0%.





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## Dunwoody to make late call-up count

BY OUR IRISH RACING CORRESPONDENT

WITH the British raiding party weakened by the absence of Suny Bay and Tartan Tyrant - because of the fast ground - the way looks clear for Lord Singapore to capture the Jameson Irish National at Fairyhouse today.

Fergie Sutherland, who relies on Go Go Gallant today, sent Imperial Call from Co Cork to win the Chehenham Gold Cup and the same county can complete a memorable double with the Jonjo Walsh-trained chaser.

This progressive performer brings solid credentials with him for the £62,700 first prize. having won on all three of his previous visits to the course. He will also have the invaluable assistance of Richard Dunwoody in the saddle.

Dunwoody was a late booking for the ride after Lord Singapore's intended partner, Jason Titley, suffered rib injuries in the Grand National at Aintree and Walsh is unconcerned about any overweight the champion jockey may

Walsh said: "Richard says he will do 10st 3lb, so we'll be carrying 3lb extra, but Richard's worth twice as much. This will be the first time the horse has carried a light weight in a big race. Because he is not very big. it should be an advantage."
Walsh added: "He seems to

like Fairyhouse too, having won his maiden hurdle, a good handicap hurdle and a

novice chase there." Lord Singapore warmed up for today's race with an impressive five-length defeat of Bob Devani in a chase over two miles, five furlongs at Leopardstown last month, a commendable effort as he is essentially a stayer.

After the disappointment of Suny Bay and Tartan Tyrant. many British eyes will now look to the 1993 Tote Chelten-ham Gold Cup winner, Jodami. The II-year-old has been badly affected by illness and injury this term and has yet to recapture his top form. He'll need to be at his best to defy 11st 12lb.

Compatriots Cool Dawn and Norman Conqueror are among 13 horses bracketed on 10 stone. The former showed himself a smart hunter when second to Elegant Lord in the



Durwoody: late booking

Christies Foxhunter Chase at Cheltenham last month and has replaced Suny Bay as favourite in ante-post betting. He could be well treated at the weights and has the assistance of Imperial Call's jockey. Conor O'Dwyer, who takes

over from Dido Harding. Danoli's rider, Tom Treacy. partners Norman Conqueror. who will be the Queen Mother's first runner in Ireland for a quarter of a century. His mount has won military races at Sandown, but faces a much stiffer task here.

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1F-TS1	SURY BAY (Unionds Bloodstock) C Brooks (GE) 7-19-5	NON-PLANTE
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	PISSURE SEAL (Delton Syndicate) H de Brombread 16-10-4	
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-05409	FRIENDS OF GERALD (B) (A& R Sheetan) J Xidy 18-10-0:	PA Rock
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Long handicap: Another Section 6-13, Captain Brandy 6-1, Carignest Kerts 6-13, Cold Devan Secrate 8-10, Go Go Gabart 9-5, Johnson 6-4, Lord Stepapore 9-6, Minesta Lad 6-11, Norman Cost Cargo Stoley 6-10, Wylder Hole 6-12. MARCY DISTRIBUTE-10, TRYLOR PRIDE D-12.

BETTING: 9-2 Cool Court, 11-2 Lord Singapore, 5-1 Go Go Gallant, 7-1 Son of Wes, 10-1 Fleching Street, 12-1
Another Excess, Johann, 14-1 others. 1995: FLASHING STEEL 10-12-6 J Outone (9-1) J Midfress 18 aur

# CANDON'S RESIDENCE

Kempton Park usomg: good 1.45 (SR 1, Herecomesthelenight (R Havin, 25-1); 2, Rude Awakening (4-6 tar); 3, Mestaratroke (6-1), 8 ran, 7si, 2, M Meade, Toter £21,00; £2,30, £1,10, £1,70, DF: £14.40, CSF: £41,14

Dr: £14.40. CSF: £41.14.
2.15 (1m. 2l) 1. Prospector's Cove (G. Bardwell, 9-1); 2. Prince Of My Heart (7-2); 3. Madems Steinler (5-1). Tris Kernsta 11-4 fev. 7 rart. kil, 9l. J. Pearce. Tote: £9.30; £2.00, 52.70. DF: £27.60. CSF: £35.43. 200, 22 70 DF: 527.80. CSF. C35.43.
2.45 (8) 1. Passion For Life (Pat Eddery, 11-4 j.-69/); 2. Norwegian Blue (20-1); 3. Golden Pond (9-1). Green Barries 11-4 g.-68v. 13 ran. NR: Watch Me. 8, 174. G. Lewis. Tots 53.10; 52.40. 55.30. 52.30. DF: 529.20. Tric. 577.50. CSF. 533.44. Tricast: 5341.87.
3.15 (1m) 1, Sea Spray (J. Reid, 4-1); 2. Parrot Jungle (9-2); 3. Miss University (25-1), Artifalia 7-2 fav. 13 ran. Nk, hd. p. Chapple-Hyam. Tote: 53.80; 51.90, 52.30, 59.50. DF: 510.50. Tric. 584.50. CSF. 21.63.

29.90. UF: £10.50. Tho: £84.50. CSF £21.63.
3.45 (2m) 1, Warmaplantatree (A Clark, 25-1): 2. Winsy-De Bergerac (33-1): 3. Upper Mount Clair (8-1): 4, Golden Arrow (16-1). Stalled 11-2 kw. 18 ran. 1¼l, hd. N. Babberge. Totte: £39.00; £4.40, £6.50, £2.00, £2.80. DF: £720.40, CSF. £800.04. Tricast: £8.01.55. Tho: £2.844.60.

A.15 (1m) 1. Regiment (T Quinn, 9-1); 2. Centre Stalls (16-1); 3. Establica (3-1). Wrood Magic 5-2 lav. 10 rad. 11, 11. R Hannon. Tote: E11.90; 52.10, £4.80, £1.80. DF: £74.10. CSF: £123.83. Tho: \$271.90.

4.45 (4m 1f) 1, Dombsy (Pat Eddery, 7-4 tax, Richard Evans's nep); 2 Ballator (32-1); 3, Clemente (20-1), 15 nan. 2, 2kt. (33-1); 3, Clemente (20-1), 15 nan. 2, 2kt. (32-1); 3, Clemente (20-1), 15 nan. 2, 2kt. (32-2); 21, 70. 27.30, 254.95. Tricast 5870,49.
Jackpot: not won (pool of £12,528.73 carried forward to Kempton Park today).
Placepot: \$868.60. Guedpot: £50.20.

Haydock Park 1.30 1, Double Edinse (4-5 fav): 2, Old Rouvel (3-1): 3, Nouten (40-1), 6 ran. Pouvel (3-1); 3, recuran (40-1); 0 and 2.00 11; Lombardic (3-2); 1; Taipen (4-1); 3, Vaugrenier (6-1). Penny A Day 5-2 tav. 7 ran. 2.30 1. Westcourt Magic (5-2 tav); 2, Repertory (100-30); 3, Kurucu (100-30); 6 ran.

3.00 1. Herodian (4-7 fav); 2. Alpine Hidesway (12-1); 3. Philosopher (9-2); 10 ran. NR- Arch Enemy, Hammestein. 3.30 1. Roman Gold (15-8 k-lav); 2. House Of Riches (15-8 k-lav); 3. Quality (B-1), 5 ran. NR: Depoline Time 4.00 1. Aziec Traveller (5-1): 2. Spondulicks (9-4 tev); 3, C-Herry (25-1). 9

2.05 1, Lia Detactor (B-4); 2, White Diamond (2-1); 3, More Joy (B6-1), Gala Diamond (2-1); 3, More Joy (B6-1), Gala Abead B-4 fev. 5 ran. NR; Mony-Stop. Abead B-4 fev. 5 ran. NR; Mony-Stop. 2.35 1, Colorful Ambition (Evers text); 2, Jubran (7-1); 3, Tryph (20-1), 11 ran Carlisle

3.05 1, Fiveleigh Builds (6-4 lav); 2, Intsh Starnp (5-3); 3, Mejic Rain (12-1), 4 ran, 3.35 1, Willis Telmar (2-1 lav); 2, Topformer (20-1); 3, Megaled (5-2), 5 can, 4.05 1, Supposin (25-1); 2, Unor (12-1); 3, Mils Mij (3-2 ji-fav), Another Venture 9-2 ji-fav, 12 ran. 4.35 1, Barton Heights (9.4 tav); 2, Bhavnager (7-2); 3, Jonaem (12-T). 13 ran. 5.05 1, Fändlock (10-1); 2. Multins (20-1); 3, Music Bitz (12-1). Royal Expression 1-2

Newton Abbot 1 NCWLUTT ALJOUT

1.40 1, Spring Hebe (33-1); 2, Peprika (33-1); 3, Sight'n Sound (7-2). Come Dance With Ma 3-1 it-tax. 15 ran. NR: Temperature Rising.

2.10 1, Balansani (5-4); 2, Castie Secret (5-4 isv); 3, Jadich (5-1). 8 ran. NR: Whitebonnet. Whitebornet.

2.40 1, Boxing Match (11-1); 2, Sophlem (6-1 tay); 3, Rether Sheep (14-1); 4, Eyre Pohs (6-1), 16 car.

3.10 1, Frogmarch (13-8 tay); 2, Joeffina (7-1); 3, Fourth in Line (14-1), 11 car.

3.40 1, Miss Nosey Cets (11-2); 2, Akiymarn (5-1); 3, its Grand (4-1 tay), 12 ran. ran.
4.10 1, Keeno (10-1); 2, Alio George (9-2);
3, Plastic Speceage (100-30 lev). 14 ran.
4.40 1, Warner For Players (100-30); 2,
Brave Edwin (14-1); 3, Chartle Parcot (8-1).
Indian Delight 3-1 lav. 18 ran.

Towcester

COWCESTEI

2.20 1. Baronnat (Evens tav); 2. Hi Hedisy
(12-1); 3. River Crailenge (4-1). 10 ran.
NR: The Mexicans Gone.
2.50 1. Hällwalk (13-8 tav); 2. Bishops
(sland (4-1); 3. Cuddy Dale (2-1). 5 ran.
3.20 1. Rain-N-Sun (18-1); 2. Pyramis
Prince (13-2); 3. Raqib (7-1). Mai O'The
Rags 7-2 tav. 9 ran. NR: Dark Sihoueša.
3.50 1. Sartonius (11-8 tav); 2. Dr Rocket
(100-30); 3. Drumstok (5-2). 4 ran.
4.20 1. Hermes Harvest (7-4); 2. Call
Horne (4-5 tav); 3. New Mill House (33-1).
4 ran. 4.50 1, Northern Star (7-4 tav); 2, Nero's Gem (25-1); 3, Musical Hz (9-1), 9 nm.

Plumpton

2 25 1. Oh So Hendy (9-4 (1-law); 2. Children Crocolate (9-4 (1-law); 3. Children Crocolate (9-4 (1-law); 3. Children Crocolate (9-4 (1-law); 3. Children (4-1). 6 ran.

2 25 1. Take A Plyer (11-2 law); 2. Native 2. Single Plant (6-1); 3. Kentawnus Way (7-1). 12 ran.

3 25 1. Krockawary (9-4); 2. Nitarpo (11-1); 3. Smiling Chief (9-4). Lucky Dotter (13-8 taw. 6 ran.

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## Valanour lands impressive Longchamp success

VALANOUR, ridden by Ger-ald Mosse, returned to his best form with a decisive defeat of Carling and Housamix in the group two Prix d'Harcourt over ten furlongs at Longchamp

yesterday. It was the first outing for the Lomond colt, owned hy the Aga Khan, since finishing a weil-beaten sixth behind Pentire in the Guinness Champion Stakes at Leopardstown last September, but he scored by 14 lengths with something in hand. The victory gave his trainer, Alain de Royer-Dupre, his first success of the season. Gunboat Diplomacy, who

handle the fast ground and finished last of the six runners.

The firm going also led to the withdrawal of the likely favourite, Le Triton, from the group Il Prix Noailles [11]. which Helissio, trained by Ehe Lellouche and partnered by Dominique Bocuf, won by four lengths. The 11-10 winner, who had triumphed by ten lengths in his only previous race, set a course record yesterday and will now go for the Prix Lupin and the Prix du Jockey-Club.

expected to meet again in the

objective of the leading Italian four-year-old Slicious.

making a lot of the running.
Cavonnier emerged as a challenger for the Kentucky
Derby with a victory in the \$1

Valanour and Carling are

23 lengths winner of the £20,300 Premio d'Aprile over ten furlongs at San Siro, Milan, yesterday, with the British challenger, Penny Drops, ridden by David Har-rison, fading into fourth after

million Santa Anita Derby on Saturday. The Bob Baffert-trained colt came from off the pace to win by 13 lengths from Alyrob, who was subsequently disquali-

ry. another 612 lengths third. Cavonnier, ridden by Chris McCarron, was considered the second string in Baffert's stable behind Semoran, who runs in the Blue Grass Stakes at Keeneland on Saturday. If Semoran lives up to expectations, the yard could be double-handed in the Kentucky Derby at Churchill

Downs on May 4. Although the Santa Anita Derby is the richest of the Derby trials, there are plenty of other routes for prospective runners to take to Kentucky. Unbridled's Song, last year's two-year-old champi-

trouble with a weak Wood Memorial field at Aqueduct on Saturday, and that would send him to Churchill Downs as the favourite.

In the Blue Grass on the same day, a host of Derby probables, including the D Wayne Lukas-trained Editor's Note, Shug McGaughey's Draw, a pair of Nick Zito-trained colts, Diligence and Louis Quatorze, could tackle Semoran.

McGaughey hopes to get his other prime colt, Roar, to the Derby through the Lexington Stakes at Keeneland on April 21, just two weeks before the main event.



Aga Khan: valuable win

#### WINCANTON

THUNDERER 2.00 Gysart. 2.30 General Crack. 3.00 Court Joker. 3.30 Blasket Hero. 4.00 Spirning Steel. 4.30 The

2.00 PAY AND PLAY NATIONAL HUNT NOVICES HURDLE (\$3,020: 2m 6f) (6 runners)

1 6-00 DRSAM NERE 15 J Fox 0-17-0 JA P McCoy
2 30 EASY BREEZY 17 D Sharstood 6-11-0 JA McCartov
3 4000 GYSART 20 (B) M Pay 7-11-0 D Buttows (7)
4 0006 BOWTA BLASHEY 18 G Balong 6-10-9 R Armod (7)
5 F1-8 MANOR BOUND 50 (F) Na's 5 Walkand 8-10-9 F Decretally 18 GRAND (1) F R Armod (7)
8 F36 SPAROLING SPRIT 41 N Garales 6-10-9 F Cooper (7) 5-4 Dream Hera, 5-2 Easy Bressy, 4-1 Gysart, 5-1 Sparking Spirit, 6-1 Borels Military, 12-1 Money Bound

2.30 GARDENS NIGHT CLUB NOVICES CHASE (£3,457; 3m 11 110yd) (7)

6-4 General Coack, 9-4 Lyrue Gold, 7-1 Blade's Wonder, 0-1 Bree Galo, 12-1 Ster Of Rangil, Tearbil Prince, 14-1 Jimmy's Fancy

3.00 GOLF COURSE CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS CLAMING HURDLE (£2,303: 2m) (7) 

5-4 County 6-4 Outs Dawn 5-1 Trys Detd. 16-1 Backet Hero 20-1 Comments

(£3,535, 2m) (4)

1 3F-6 SAFAAH 7 (D.G.S) S Amply 9-12-3 ... A P McCoy 2 4-54 YOUNG SAUCRT 17 (D.F.G.S) D Shermond 12-12-3 A McConthy 3 -21P SPHANIG STED, 126 (D.F.G.S) P Rodrigt 9-16-2. 6 Barroogh 4 3424 EVENING RAIN 28 (D.F.G.S) R Hadges 10-10-0 T Doscombe (3)

1 0410 DECIDE YOURSELF 30 (0.5) 7 Thomson Jones 0-11-7
A P MacCoy
2 P301 THE BOUNDER 13 (0.5) D Showcod 6-11-7
J A MeCarrhy
3 000 BLISTERY DAY 16 N Alexe 0-11-0
5 000 BLISTERY DAY 16 N Alexe 0-11-0
5 000-4 AUTILEY 1) N Havine 8-11-0
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C D Bermons (7)
7 00 FRANK PUSH 85 S TROMES 5-10-0
C Bermons (7)
5 EP05 NOVAN CROWN 11 N Thomson 8-16-9
D D LONICEPIA 115 R Aires 8-10-0
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## MARKETRASEN

2.15 Elite Justice. 2.45 Slingsby, 3.20 Rustic Air. 3.55 Marsh's Law, 4.30 Misti Hunter, 5.00 Netherby Sald, 5.30 China King.

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM (GOOD IN PLACES)

2.15 PAY AND PLAY GOLF SELLING HURDLE (£1,800: 2m 1f 110yd) (9 runners)

5 00P3 ROSE 19 Nas S Lampour 0-14-11 Ms Browner 6 P TANFELAME 9F JL Plants 5-10-11 Ms Browner 7 01 MS TORN A REASON 39 (6) R Judes 4-10-10 Ms J Calloty (5) 8 00 NGROV PRITIESE 20 H Cohingrape 4-16-10 C Ram (7) 9 U0 TOP FELLA 21 (6) P Dennis 4-18-10 D Bensley 2-1 Gris Amairz, 9-4 Just for A Roseau, 3-1 Rad's Prote, 5-1 Rooks, 10-1 Nove Protege, 12-1 Origitaria. 14-1 Lagator, 20-1 ofters.

2.45 PADDY SHEERAN NATIONAL HUNT HOVICES HURDLE (£3,556: 2m 3t 110yd) (15)

11-4 Manyman, 3-1 Stringsby, 4-1 Philiparmonic, 7-1 Manpa Road, 0-1 Flower Of Map. Ross On The Run, 10-1 Sheet Deligibl, T2-T others.

3.20 VICTOR LUCAS MEMORIAL HANDICAP CHASE (63,881: 2m 11 110yd) (6)

5-4 Rustin At, 3-1 (happins, 4-1 Clarer Own, 5-1 Super Trucker, 16-T Berly Parson, 33-1 Magder Salesman.

3.55 ROSELAND GROUP HANDICAP HURDLE

7-2 Tom Brade, 9-2 Mordis Sun, 5-1 Brandleberry, 5-1 Pinecone Pales, 7-1 Grassomen, 6-1 Tristen's Cornet, Roy Do Mord, 10-1 pilars.

4.30 WEST LINDSEY EASTER CUP (Novices handicap chase: £2,999; 3m 1f) (8)

5.00 SHELL GAS HORSEWATCH NOVICES CHASE (£4,027; 2m 4f) (6) 

5.30 LEVY BOARD STANDARD NATIONAL HUNT FLAT RACE (£1,434: 1m 51 110yd) (18)

## WETHERBY

THUNDERER 2.15 Weish Mill. 2.45 Earlymorning Light. 3.15 Sierra Machona. 3.45 Easby Joker, 4.15 His Way. 4.45 Any Dream Would Do.

GOING: GOOD

2.15 ARKENDALE NOVICES HURDLE

(£2,933: 2m) (11 numers) 1 1227 SOLDMON'S DANCER 28 (D.S) W Helph 8-11-8 ... D Byrne 2: 03-10 CHEPPED OUT 38 (D.S) M Yodhunist 0-11-2 ... R Cartilly 3: 40 AUGAT 79 J Cartill 5-18-10 ... J Cartilly 3: 40 BORZER 23 J Fromatai 7-10-10 ... F Leafy 01 

2.45 HUDDERSFIELD HOVICES CHASE

(£3,665: 2m 4f 110yd) (7) 1 1934 RETYSEVENCHANGES 23 (CD.S.S) Mc. J Brown 7-12-0

3.15 wharfedale selling handicap huridle (E2,548: 2m 71 110yd) (24)

1 S-34 TALL MEASURE 137 (F) D Swindishurs 10-11-12

1 JB - SKRICOAT GREEN SZ3 (C.S.S) W Beaumors 11-11-18

2 JB - SKRICOAT GREEN SZ3 (C.S.S) W Beaumors 11-11-18

3 S010 CYAPSLAY STREET 7 (S.G.S) W Namo 7-11-5. S MecDoughl
4 6050 EMILTMOORE 10 (B) P Beaumors 5-11-3. B Harding (3)
5 0263 TREYVEENHAN 21 Mis S Austio 7-11-5. S MecDoughl
5 0263 TREYVEENHAN 21 Mis S Austio 7-11-2. D Wildisson
7 S001 SEPTRA MADIAGNA 31 (F.G.) Mis A Swinteria 6-18-12 R Berntly
5 4800 DASSMARD 10 J Houre 9-18-10. P Neven
7 S007 SEPTRA MADIAGNA 31 (F.G.) Mis A Swinteria 6-18-12 R Berntly
5 4800 DASSMARD 10 J Houre 9-18-10. R Wildisson (7)
10 - SP5 DON'T TELL JUDY 10 Miss M Mirkings 6-10-5. A Transition
11 ZS00 SED DAN'T TELL JUDY 10 Miss M Mirkings 6-10-5. A Transition
12 S00 DEN TORTY Miss 14 (F.G.S.) J Parkes 10-10-2 R McCartly (7)
13 POP MEMPHADDEZ 16 (S) W Transip 6-10-2. R Wildisson (7)
14 - O55 STYLEN (SENT 97 G-R) S Oldryd 9-10-9. Mr K Green
15 1-PO DENTICLATA 21 (b) P Scotthsood 8-10-0. P Wingout
16 OURD SOUPHEME 14 (B) Miss M Remise 4-10-0. L Wyer
17 Peter SHEZTON MISSY 142 (S.G.F.G.S.) J Wate 16-70-0. K Jones
18 S60- ONE FOR LUCK 400P (F) F Microsh 6-10-0. P Lentry (3)
19 40UP WELLEFSONS 13 (B) B Rehment 6-10-0. M Microson (7)
21 4-255 MTHAN 185 T Cart 7-10-0. DOUBTFUL
22 (FO) MTHAN BEE 41 B Boosted 6-10-0. M Verrington (7)
23 4-256 ARTHAN 185 T Cart 7-10-0. M Verrington (7)
24 4-256 MTHAN 185 T Cart 7-10-0. M Verrington (7)
25 Septeme. Affact, 14-1 (S.Missern, Shelton Abby, Stecard Drawn, 10-1
DerNicolaka, Goldmire, Ris, Ris, Williambers, Shelton Abby, Stecard Drawn, 10-1
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3.45 WETHERBY HANDICAP CHASE (£6,783: 3m 110yd) (7)

4 OBJO WHED FORCE 23 (C.D.F.S) & Richerch 11-11-4 B Hardony (3)
5 FILUT EASHY JONES 21 (C.E.S) S Kethered 6-10-13 J Gradylatin
5 -P33 (J.D.S.ALES 17 (BF.S.S) Max M Revoley 9-10-10. P Moten
7 GS2P STRONG SOUND 32 (C.D.F.S.S) P Cheesbrough 6-10-8
8 Supple 9.4 Steby Johns, 11.4 Toopcod To Be Tron, 5-1 Silves Stack, 5-1 AR'S ARIA, 7-1 Mr Hambores, Wind Force, 25-1 Strong Shend.

(23,003. St) 119/9/ (6)

1 3112 HS WAY 44 (D.B.F., 6.5) J Haward Johnson 7-12-0
B Harding (5)
2 3P2P YOUNG DUBLINER 20 (6) Mcs. J Brown 7-11-3. Mr N Wilson
3 2P4 SOURCES TAKE 15 (8) F, 6) W Befinel B-10-7. A Thombon
4 1233 FULSSAM CASTLE / (8) J Make 27-10-7. K. Longs
5 4345 BAARRA'S ROSCOE 21 (8,5) Mr M Roscley 10-10-2. P Minn
5 5220 FULLMAT 26 T Title 7-10-0
5 3040 TIMES LEADER 14 P Caber 7-10-0 Mr M H Mangridon (7)
5 0640 TIMES LEADER 14 P Caber 7-10-0
L Wyer
5-4 Hs Way, 4-1 Residen Castle, 5-1 Resimit, 6-1 Young Dubtons. Squires Take,
0-1 Marra's Roscoe, 16-1 others.

4,45 WILSTROP AMATEUR RIDERS HANDICAP HURDLE (\$2,548; 2m) (14) 1 0005 BREF REIMON 22 (D.6) S Ketteneti 5-11-10 ... S Swiens 2 1144 MSHSARK 20 (D.F.G) las M Render 4-11-9 M H Maughon (7) 3 223U HGHLAND WAY 23 Noolymer 8-11-9 M H Maughon (7) 4 054-807 SET 311-6 (D.6) Mass D Care 5-11-8 ... 6 Batter (7) 5 -036 AMY DREAM WOLLD DO 10 (CD.6F.F.S) P Szumon 7-11-2

7-3 Heptorik, 4-1 Heptond Way, 6-1 Bass Material, 8-1 Brist Fastman, Any Ossam Woode Do, 18-1 Afric Memoric, Technylotatich, 14-1 Fret, Louissettin, 10-1 No Word, Gallary Rolin, 20-1 spipers.

HUNTINGDON THUNDERER

Cohway Prince. 2.30 Winspit. 3.00 Strong John.
 Maneree. 4.00 Majboor Yafooz. 4.35 Solo Gent.
 Swynford Pride.

GOING. FIRM (GOOD TO FIRM IN PLACES)

2.00 TULIP SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE

(£1,989; 2m 110yd) (8 runners) 1 -340 FORGETPUL 52 FD\_F61 B Burchell 7-12-0 Miss E J Jones (7)
2 100- BRUL-BOOM 2097 (F) N Wegrove 5-11-7 J Ryon
3 80-9 MSTER LAWSOM 10 (0.F.6) 8 Smart 10-11-6 J R Kastanagh
4 F230 CDLWAY PRINCE 122 (0.F.6.5) A Jones 8-11-7 J Radian
4 F230 CDLWAY PRINCE 122 (0.F.6.5) A Jones 8-11-7 J Radian
5 336\* WITHOUT A FLAG 157 (0.F.0.5) J Whole 8-11-1 D Bohan (7)
5 0306 GENERAL JAMBO 20 F Murphy 4-11-0 K Gaule (3)
7 00PM RAMEDOW WALK 18 J 0 Shae 8-10-1 Machael Breuman (7)
6 4605 JAKK THE TD 9 Mrs. Lindy 7-10-0 D Thomas (7)
11-4 Wichous A Flag 7-2 General Jimbo, 9-2 Colony Prince 5-1 Forgetkul,
Parchael Male 6-1 Borkshoon, 14-1 others

2.30 ADDENBROOKES DIALYSIS NOVICES CHASE (£2,945: 2m 110yd) (5)

1 1345 PERCE 26 (D.F.E.S.) J. Jerburs 9-11-7 . . . . J. Radion 2 -Roti WinsPri 16 (D.F.S.) R Alber 5-11-7 . . . J. R. Kayamagh 3 0500 GREY FRICH 28 (B) D Sciented 7-11-0 . . D Thomas (7) 4 3059 STAR DE DAVIS 21 (V.S.) Mass A Emberica: 8-11-0 . J. Ryan 5 250- RAMING SANDS 357 K Wargitor 7-10-0 . K Gaule (3) 4-5 Winspil, 11-4 Fierce, 5-1 Grey Frich, 8-1 Star Of David, 12-1 Flaming Sands

3.00 SIBNEY THE KIDNEY HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,129: 2m 5i 110yd) (4)

1 3TPO CHECAGOS BEST 128 (R.F.G.) K Wlogone 9-12-0. \_\_\_ I Ryon 2 5512 PYRAMES PRINCE 2 (S) John Whys 6-11-8 \_\_\_ Mr M Gargel 3 LE4F STRONG LIKH 86 (R.F.G.) S Hobbert 4-16-9 \_\_ K Gaste (3) 4 0500 PLATO'S REPUBLIC 13 (C) J Lenkors 5-16-5 S Fox (3) 6-4 Pyramys Proce, 7-4 Strong John, 5-2 Chango's Best, 14-1 Phin's Republic

3.30 WEST LANCASHIRE PUBLISHING GROUP HANDICAP CHASE (£3,738; 2m 4/ 110yd) (4)

4.05 DR DAVID EVANS DIALYSIS MAIDEN HURDLE (£2,828: 2m 5f 110yd) (10)

1 4600 DESERT CHALLDESER 13 (8) J Jender 8-11-8 ... 5 Fox (3) 2 34P DOUBLE ACPARDY 42 J White 5-11-3 D Bohton (7) 3 PSS6 FFD RESULER 2 (8) Miles A Emblances 9-11-3 J Ryan 4 5453 MAJBOOR VAROUZ (7 J Bostey 5-11-3 ... M Bostey 

4.35 SHERIFFS GRAIN NOVICES CHASE (£3,059: 3m) (4)

1-2 Solo Gent, 6-2 Dodown, 6-1 Thibeam, Rancheck.

5.05 EASTERTIDE MAIDEN NATIONAL HUNT FLAT RACE (£1,529: 2m 110yd) (9)

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5-4 Swystord Pride, 6-1 Eye Of The Storm, Barne Str. 7-1 The Campboritan, 8-1 Smart Lend, Maggie Scralt, 12-1 others FAKENHAM.

THUNDERER 2.30 Java Shrine. 3.05 Lantern Pike. 3.40 Nessun Doro. 4.15 Wistino. 4.50 Uncle Bert. 5.25 Fen Terrier. Carl Evans: 3.05 Lantern Pike, 4.15 Wistino.

2.30 RAYNHAM SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (£3,071; 2m) (10 numers)

3.05 ROBERT HOARE MEMORIAL NOVICES HUNTERS CHASE (Amaleurs: \$2,434: 2m 5( 110yd) (11)

1 -O-NJ JUST JACK 24 (CD F.G.S) P Jonason 10-12-6 J Townson (?)
2 5722 SATHWACK BORRET IS D Williams 9-72-8... Mass S Magnins (?)
3 6-N4 BOLD MP 18 Mess S Warph 11-12-0 J Masses (?)
4 FSUP COUNTRIE CHARLEY TSP (B.F.G.S) Mes J Read (10-12-0)
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3.40 EVENT CATERERS HANDICAP HURDLE

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5 6450 TIM SOLDER 19 (D.G.S) M Bartasbugh 9-11-6. S Makel
6 404 ENERALD VENTURE 52 (D.F. on F Dotte 9-10-8... D 4 Mortal
7 3055 WATER DAVISER 28 (C.F.S) N Wingrows 6-10-4. J McLaughtin
8 G305 LOFTY DEED 24 (5) W Messon 0-10-0....................... L Havery 7-4 Vicercy Rules, 9-4 Nesson Doug, 0-1 Emerald Venture, 0-1 Emerald Rules, Leftv Deed, 10-1 Tiro Seldes 12-1 others

Strong Promise, the Martell Aintree Hurdle runner-up, could make a surprise return to action at Cheltenham on Thursday. The Geoff Hubbard-trained gelding is reported to have thrived since his narrow defeat by Urubande in last month's grade one contest and may go for the £25,000-added EBF National Hum Novices Handicap Hurdle Final.

#### UTTOXETER THUNDERER

2.15 Royale Angeta. 2.50 Tough Deal. 3.25 Glengariff Girl. 4.00 Samlee. 4.35 Full Of Fire. 5.10 Quinag.

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM (GOOD IN PLACES)

2.15 COOMBS WODD JUVENILE HOVICES (£2.253: 2m 4i 110yd) (7 runners)

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2 126F ROYALE ANGELA 20 (S) F Jordan 11-4
3 HAMCOCA 304F J Hemerton 18-12
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5 P5 MR FERJANTINE 41 A STIMUL 10-12
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2.50 FESTIVAL HEIGHTS AMATEUR RIDERS SELLING HANDICAP CHASE (£2,369; 2m 5f) (5)

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3 5322 TOUGH DEAL 20 (S) P Bradey 6-11-11 . ... R Armson (7)

4 2646 BANARD BAY 52 (R, 5) G Barrett 12-16-7 . S Molcake (7)

5 /6-0 SEMINDLE PRINCESS 7 (8) C Hemsley 8-10-0 Mess A Dudley (7)

4-6 Totugh Deal, 5-1 Intrand Forest, 7-1 Paula's Boy, Basard Boy, Sense Princess 3.25 ST GEORGE'S CENTRE NOVICES HANDICAP

(£2,610; 3m 110yd) (13) 

9-2 Captain Coe. 5-1 Blengantt Girl, 0-T Loid Loby, Hytiers Chance. 7-1 Barba's Boy, 8-1 Apachee Flower, 12-1 plants

4.00 CANNOCK TOWN CENTRE HOVICES CHASE 1 2110 SAMLE 26 (G.5) P Hobbs 7-12-2 . G Tormey (S) 2 510F COULD! LOCH 13 (F) M Widutson 7-11-2 . D McCain 3 USF0 OLIKE OF LANCASTER 39 (B) Mrs J Parvan 7-11-2 B Bellary 13 4 3700 FRESTMANS ESSY 21 (G) P Webbor 8-11-2 1 J Murphy 13 5 -302 SEYMOUR SPY 31 Mrs A Hoven 7-11-2 . S Wyane

4.35 s.s.e. pipeftitings handicap chase (£3.696: 3m 2l) (4)

1 11-3 REAL PROGRESS 18 (CDLF.6.51 P Hobbs 6-11-18 G Tormey (3)
2 F100 MATT REID 27 (CDLF.6.5) J Lough 12-11-9 ...... Mr W Morgan
3 212P GILPA VALU 88 (D.B.F.G.S) J Lypton 12-11-9 ..... Mr Saces (3)
4 1597 FULL DF FIRE 15 (F,5) K Bailey 8-11-1 .... T J Morphy (3) 5-4 Full Of Fire, 6-4 Real Progress, 9-2 Mett Reid, 8-1 Gilpa Valu.

5.10 DRBITAL CENTRE MARES ONLY HOVICES HURDLE (£2,484; 2m 4( 110yd) (9)

## 4.15 QUEEN'S CUP EASTERN COUNTIES HUNTERS CHASE (Amaleurs: £2.524: 3m 110yd) (11)

1 P442 ANTRIM COUNTY 8P (D.S) J Comment 11-11-12 2 42F3 CARRIGEEN LAD 9P (B.F.B.S) Mrs J Read 9-11-12

4.50 3RD YEAR OF THE BETTY AND HERBERRT CASSELL MEMORIAL CHASE (£4,660: 2m 5/ 110yd) (7)

1 031P TIME ENOUGH 28 (BF.S) C Brooks 7-12-0 Mr E Jesmes
2 81T1 UNCLE BERT 20 (F.S.S) G McCoun 6-11-13 D Fork (S)
3 3180 MARSOOD 93 (V.SF.CO.F.G) J W Malfins 11-11-12
Time Market (S) 1-1; Clorie Webb (5) 7-4 Uncle Berl, 3-1 Wylam, 5-1 Time Enough, 0-1 Nagobella, 10-1 Magazoni, Cractiling Fred, 12-1 Truss.

5.25 ST JOHN AMBULANCE NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,885: 2m) (8)

1 SPOG BLATANT OUTBURST 27 (F) G Betwery 8-11-10 ... T Kern
2 SOS3 TROUWARLE 4S A Turnell 5-11-8 ... L Harvey
3 PGS THE LANCER 39 D Gandolfo 7-11-8 ... D Fort (5)
4 OBP4 CADDYS PRIST S S Mellor 4-11-7 ... Chris Webb (5)
5 UISO FGN TERRIER 13 (B,CD,G) W Happas 4-11-5 ... Mr P Scott (7)
8 2-05 HUSH TIMA 13 J Tuck 3-11-3 ... S Michell
7 ODS POLLY AMANISHAA 15 M Bants 4-10-5 ... D Symmet
8 POP FRANK (NOOMS 52 1 George 6-10-0 ... M Moltory (7)
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3 229G BLASHET HERD 25 (B.D.F.G) Mar S Williams S-11-2 A P Microsy
4 2002 CONET DAWN 12 (D.F.G) 1 (May 15-16-10) - T Describe (3)
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4.00 IMPROVE YOUR HANDICAP CHASE

6-4 Young Snugil, 7-4 Spiring Start, 7-2 Sultath, 8-1 Evening Rain 4.30 NINE HOLE NATIONAL HUNT HOVICES HURDLE (£2,758: 2m) (10) 1 UNIO DECIDE YOURSELF 30 (D.S) T Phomeon Jones 0-11-7

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4.15 LEEDS NOVICES HANDICAP CHASE (£3,665: 3m 110yd) (8)

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10 0535 TEEMYN ATCH 4F J Golds 4-10-0
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12 PFS0 LOWAWATH 13 Mrs C Hessen 8-10-0
13 9000 FRET 33 (8.0.6.5) J Warnengte 6-10-0
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It took just one lesson for Jennai Cox to perform a single forward somersault

## Why one jump on a trampoline will set you bouncing

rampolining de-mands grace and power: it takes effort to look sleek when soaring up to 25ft from the trampoline bed. The sheer exhilaration can be addictive. Rebound tumbling, as trans-

polining was once more commonly known, is a relatively new sport. Its origins lie with the Eskimos — postcards at Anchorage airport, Alaska, depict them tossing each other about on walrus skins, In Britain early this century acrobats performed comedy rourines on bouncing beds and, according to circus lore, the trampoline was developed by an artist named Du Trampolin who saw potential in the rapeze safety net. In the 1930s George Nissen.

an American tumbling and diving champion, built one of the earliest trampolines in his garage for training and, soon after, entertainment. With the help of physical education experts he devised textbooks. lesson plans and training courses. The sport took off.

The rapid spread of trampolining to countries such as Poland. Japan. Switzerland and South Africa can be explained by its enjoyable simplicity. No special skill or physique is required to start and that first bound can be tried at any age. Two or three minutes of jumping is as good acrobic exercise as the same tinte spent running and is also a form of plyometrics: according to sports scientists this type of explosive jumping develops the strength required to hold the body in flight and helps to resist the force of landings. supplementary training by



My 20-minute lesson, taken y Rob Walker, chief executive of the Brirish Trampoline Federation (BTF), in Sheen Sports Centre, southwest London, incorporated some of the elements taught in the first six months. Any newcomer starts with gentle jumping and learning how to stop; bending your knees on descent. The first few minutes of bouncing was like experiencing consecutive air pockets on an aeroplane; as close as you get to the feeling of unaided flying.

But like real flying, trampo-lining is more technical. Since the simple somersault of the 1940s, ntoves have advanced to triple-twisting double somersaults. Competition moves include the barani, a seal drop with half a twist; the cody, a back somersault landing on the stomach; the fliffus, a double somersault with a twist: and the triffus, a triple somersault. Some competitors have recently managed quadruple somersaults.

I stuck to the seat drop which entailed jumping and dropping into a sitting position before standing again. This had to be done withou bending my legs, making sure my bonom landed on the



Jump for joy: Fern Ellis, 9, at Sheen Sports Centre, southwest London, is one of 600,000 Britons who trampoline each week

marked cross in the middle of the Irampoline while ensuring that my fingers were turned towards my pointed toes, to prevent broken wrists. It required far more concentration than I had expected.

Nor was I prepared for the dent did though explain why

complete lack of control or balance in mid-air. Trying to regain this with leg or arm mnvements proved hopeless; 1 ended up almost crashing into who sat on safety mats ahead of me. The incibody positions in flight. As

during the Second World War American pilots and navigators used the trampoline to practise orienlation and why astronauts working for the Space Flight programme use them to experience variable

Walker says, when you are throwing your body weight around, you have to be aware of everything around you.

With the help of Walker and his son, Jeff, another trampolining coach. I was able to finish my lesson with a single forward somersault. Well. I have never seen anyone do it like that before," I was told. I'll be back to try again\_

It was the physical benefits of trampolining realised during the war that convinced PE teachers of its possibilities. A year after Jimmy Garner became the first US champion in 1948, the first trampoline officially used for physical educa-tion was installed in Loxford School in Ilford, Essex. About 600,000 people now trampoline each week with more than 1,500 sports centres and 2,000 secondary schools holding

s a sport, trampolining requires lengthy and very methodical practice to become skilled but is still largely recreational, being suitable for anyone, including the handicapped. Despite early fears of possible dangers and injury. there have been only 17 serious accidents since 1960 and during all lessons trampolines should be surrounded by other participants, known as spotters.

The first competitions in Britain were held in the 1950s and after living under the umbrella of the Amateur Gymnastic Association the BTF was formed in 1964. After changes to the structure of competitions four years ago to allow more local events, membership of the BTF doubled to 7,000.

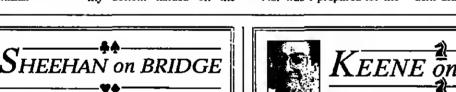
Internationally, trampolin-ing has spread to more than 30 countries with Britain alongside Russia, Germany and France among the competition leaders. The next world championships take place in Vancouver in August, preceded by the national competition in Birmingham in Juty. Competi-on trampolining was first televised in Great Britain in 1958 but neither championship is likely to receive much cover-

age this year.

The momentum and rhythm of the slow and graceful bouncing can be felt just by watching, but the repetitive and predictable nature of com-petition routines, which last less than a minute, has meant that it has never caught on as a spectator sport. The enjoyment is in doing

the jumping.

● For details of competitions and lessons: the British Trampoline Federation. 146 College Ruad. Harrow, Middlesex HAI IBH (0181-863 7278).



By Robert Sheehan, bridge correspondent Dealer Nurth Love all Rubber bridge

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Contract: 3 NT by South

l held the South hand. My 3 NT bid was a crude effort more scientific would be to bid Two Spades. However, I have a horror of getting involved in that son of sequence, particularly at rubber bridge with a doubtful partner, where too much sophistication can lead disastrous misunder-

standings. When duminy went down, t was uncomfortably aware that t had done the wrong thing if the clubs divide. Six Clubs makes: even if they do not, the contract will still make if diamonds are 3-3.

On the king of spades, dummy played low and East played the five. I ducked and won the next spade. What should I do?

Hoping to get some clues, I played off ace and king of nearts and three rounds of liamonds, on the third of vhich West threw a heart. I : till could not tell whether he vas 5-4-2-2 or 5-5-2-t, and 1 lected to play for clubs 2-2:

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A leg

INGLYMUS

. A school of whales

A unidirectional joint

The short-eared bat

Mild delirium tremens

WORD-WATCHING

By Philip Howard

**FORFEX** 

fixative

GRUNDY

b. A cadger

Lead: king of spades one down. Can you see an

improvemeni? If I trust West's carding (five, then seven of spades, indicating three), I should cross to dummy and play a third spade. If West does not cash his spades, I can subsequently lose a club to East: if he does cash them. East has to make two discards. For the moment, two hearts are safe, but then, when I subsequently play off the top hearts, East is squeezed in diamonds and

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a. The pincers of an earwig

b. A proprietary toupee

a. A variety of homblende

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c. A conventional bigot

c. Excommunication



BY RAYMOND KEENE

Teenage triumph

Ruth Sheldon, one of Great Britain's brightest girl play-ers, has added an illustrious scalp to her collection. In the London Chess Centre Quickplay lournament last weekend, she inflicted a crushing defeat on Dr John Nunn, Britain's No 4 player and noted tactician.

Nunn is noted as an outstanding connoisseur of the King's Indian Defence, but, in this game, Sheldon tied him up in knots on the queenside before delivering the coup de grace. Records indicate that, al the age of 15, Sheldon is the youngest female player in the country to have defeated a grandmaster.

White: Ruth Sheldon Black: Dr. John Nunn London Chess Centre Quickplay, March 1996

King's Indian Defence 3 Nc3 8g7 5 Be2 0-0 Ng4 16 Na6 9 Bo5 10 Bh4 Nh6 Qe8 8d7 Bh6 Nc5 16 Rb1 axb4 Na4 Qe7 20 Oc2 Rfc8 21 Nb5

Bxb5 Nb6 Nxa8 Ng5 29 b6 Og4 Nxc7 30 Bd3 31 bxc7 34 Be2 Oxe4 35 Bxg5 Oxd5 36 Bg4 37 Bh6 Black resigns Diagram of final position E ± ± ± **没有证** 

Qh4

Karpov's move

Anatoly Karpov has become an "honorary member" of President Slobodan Milosevic's ruling Socialist party in Belgrade. Meanwhile, Israel has threatened to leave Fide, the World Chess Federarion, if the championship match between Karpov and Kamsky goes ahead in Baghdad.

Times chess book Improve your game with Ray Keene's book, The Times Winning Chess, published by Batsford at £9.99 (credit card orders 01376 327901).

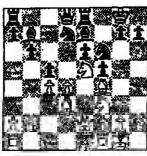
Raymond Keene writes on chess Monday to Friday in section on Saturday.

WINNING MOVE

By Raymond Keene

White to play, I continue my homage to Alexander Alekhine. This position is from the game Alekhine — Feldt, Tarnopot, 1916. In this position, Alekhine exploited the slight weakness of the epsquare to manufacture a wonder-ful winning combination. Can you

Solution. page 34





Up, up and away: Fern has a lesson with Jeff Walker



Tonight, Channel 4's The Greatest gives you the touth chance in the series to vote for the Greatest British specific hero of them all. And your vote will count in more weys that one, because it could win you a pair of tickets to the European football championship or even the top prize of a second sec to the Olympic Games in Atlanta with Datey (hompso The main aim of the series is to bring some degree of scientific method to the comparisons so that a motor racing driver can be judged against a cricketer, a jockey against a tootballer. You probably won't be able to put aside your prejudices completely - we all have our heroes; and big vourite sports - but The Greatest will open your manif to achievements and personalities you may not otherwise considered worthy of greatness:

Tonight is the fifth show in the 12-part series. The case Jackie Stewart, Linford Christie, Bobby Moore, Torvill and Deen, Mary Rand and Ian Botham of the 20 shortlisted has been stated. Each week two contenders are examined as their relative merits discussed by the panel of France Edimonds, author and broadcaster, Darmy Kelly, action of Total Sport, and a guest celebrity (tonight it is Torry He Chairing the debate is Gordon Kennedy. The final ship give the results and declare The Greatest. The Give screened on Channel 4 on Mondays at 8.30pm and sep on Saturdays at 10am. The sporting stars under season tonight are Barry John and Nick Faldo. Times withers give their appreciations to help your judgments.

#### TONIGHT'S CONTENDERS



When rugby union's historians gaine the bar and debate great stand of halves they have seen. Barry John's name will stand tall. Most would. confidently assert that the Welshin was unique, both in the style of his pla and the manner of his leaving the game Everything about John was efforth Though part of a great Welsh tradition one thinks of Cliff Jones and Willie Davies before the war, of Cliff Morgan, David Watkins and Phil Bernett post-

ed quite the languid touch of John at the height of his powers. There seemed no strain, no obvious speed in his running, rather he ghosted past defenders who.

His goal-locking was the simplest of routines when compared with some of today's convoluted approaches. New Zeelander had good cause to remember him when he helped the Edish-Isles to their only series win there, in 1971; they called him the King, a soubriquet which, in the end, helped create his ture retirement at 27, after six years and 25 caps; The 1971 Lions were the first of rugby's touring sides from the northern herrusphere to create an impression beyond the sports own public and life in the goldfish bow was not for the John, the West Wallan who played for Cardill, He played one more international season, created a Welsh record of 90 care points and retired to avoid the adulation which has pursued so many of the players from that golden era of the dragon.



Nick Faldo's three Opens, in 1987, 1990 and 1992, and victories in the US Masters of 1989 and 1990 may. seem small beer when compared with the victories in a glorious few months in 1930 in the Open and Amateur Championships of the ... United States and Britain by the ... legendary amateur, Bobby Jones, and Jack Nicklaus's 20 majorchampionships between 1959 and

1986. Faldo's five, however, ... represent the best performance by a British gelfer since the

early days of the 20th century. starting in July 1987 and ending in August 1992. In that time he not only won those five majors, but his was the most --feared name in golf. Between June 1988 and August 1992 he was never worse than 19th in a major championship. He was

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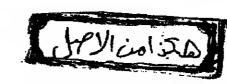
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PATSLEIGH MIDLAND COMBRIATION:
Premier division: Chetroley v Ansels:
Coleshill v Bloometr Coventry Sphinx v
Massey, Ferguson; Highquie v Northeld,
Kriss Heath v Knowle: Otton Royale v
Shirky; Southam v Welliesbourne; Studiev
B.K.L v Alvecturch Ville, West Midland Fire
Sentoe v Handrahan Timbers
FEDERATION: BREWERY NORTHERN
LEAGUE: First division: Consent v Seeham
Red Star, Epplanon C W v Murbor, Fernyfall v
Bellingham; Guebolough v Whitby, Peterlee
v Bedlington Terress: Fow Law v Crook,
NORTH WEST COUNTIES LEAGUE: First
division: Blackpool Rovers v Novicaste
Town; Catherce v Glosson, North End;
Danwer v Bootle, Holler Old Boys v Pernith,
Mossley v Chedidetro; Nantwich v Tratind,
Rossendale v Floton; St Helens v Salford;
Seelmandale v Burdsough
NORTHERN COLINTIES EAST, LEAGUE:
Pramier division: Annote V Ossati Town;
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Abbon; Glesshoughlon Welfare v Hallam,
Hudorall v Pickering; Meltoy M.W
Stockshridge P S.; North Fordby v Belper
Town, Sheffield v Liversedge, Trescidey v
Hottleich Main.
SAGRNOFT IRISH LEAGUE: Premier division: Ards v Gleriforan.

RUGBY UNION Kick-off 2:30 unless stated Aberavon v Carditi ....... ADERVATIV CHES Birkenhaud Park v Win-nington Park (3 0): Bonymeen v Neeth, Bridgend v Maesteg: Fyldo v Preston Cresshoppers (3 0). Newport v London Weish: Phymouth v Torquey (3 0): Tredeger v Ebow Vale. Canoellad: Cross Keys v

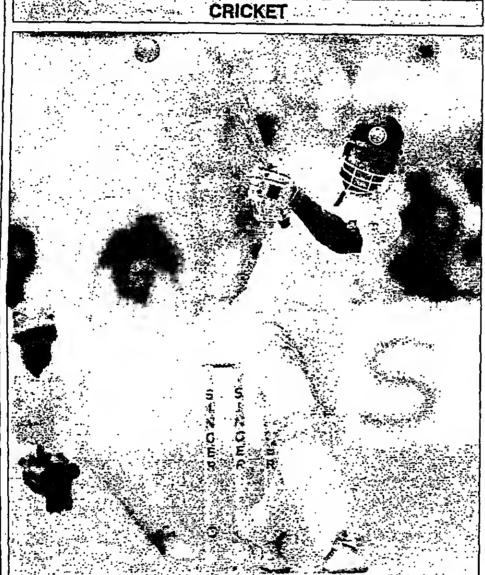
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Featherstone v Dewisbury (7.30)...
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Keighley v Hult (3.30)...
Widnes v Whitehaven Second division Carlisle v Leigh
Doncaster v York (7 30) ......
Hull K R v Hunslet Prescol v Barrow South Wales v Bramley (6 0)

(al Morta Stadium, Si Swinton v Chorley (6.30) OTHER SPORT CYCLING: Garvan three-day road race (lough stage 66 miles, Boach Pavilion, 10.0).
HOCKEY: Easter festivale: Blackpool; Brenn Canlesbury. Follessione. Tortasy. Weymouth: Worthing MOTOR CYCLING: British Superbike champonaship (Thusbor). Weymouth, worthing British Superbike Cramponship (Thoudon), MOTOR SPORT: RAC Touring Car chemponship (Donington Park) (2.10): Warwick (2.35): Newcraft (2.35): Nowcraft (2.30): Market (2.30): Chepstow (2.6): Fakenham (2.30): Herelord (2.30): Huningdon (2.0): (2.30): Hassen (2.15): Munich (2.35): Warket (2.30): Thousand (2.15): Market (2.30): Thousand (2.15): Warket (2.15): Withouter Prumpton (2.30): Thousand (2.15): Withouter (2.15): Without

## CRICKET



Jayasuriya, of Sri Lanka, setting a batting record for one-day internationals by scoring 50 runs off only 17 balls in the final of the Singer Cup. Photograph: Jonathan Drake

One-day international West Indies v New Zealand KINGSTOWN (West Indies won loss): West Indies beat New Zosland by seven workets NEW ZEALAND

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S P Reming c Simmons b Adams

R G Twose a Browne b Chanderpaul
C L Caims c and b Adams

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WEST INDRES
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B C Lara c Patel b Carrs ...
P V Smmins no out RIC Holder mot out ... Extras (to 2, w 6, rib 1) Total (Swids, 48.3 overs) ....

J C Adems, R A Harper, †C O Browne, L Williams, C E L Ambrose and \*C A Walsh did not bal. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-0.2-31, 3-217 80WLRNG Parel to 1-48-1: Larson 8-2-31-0. Harris 8-0-48-1, Vaughen 10-0-37-0: Cating 8-3-0-49-1; Astele 2-0-14-0 Flaming 2-0-15-0

Man-of-the-match: P V Seramons. Uniones: 1. Barker and B Morgan Third umpire: H Moore West indes win cenes 3-2. Singer Cup fina!

Sri Lanka v Pakistan SINGAPORE (Stitlenha won loss) Pakista baat Sritanha by 43 runs PAKISTAN

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Extras tb 6, lb 4, w 6, nb 31 ... Tutal (45.3 pvera) ...... \_215 FALL OF WICKETS 1-29, 2-41, 3-102, 4-106, 5-140, 6-143, 7-175, 8-199, 9-199 BOWLING Widemasinghe 8 I-30-1, Vaus 8-0-35-2: Muratharan 10-0-42-2: Dhar-masena 10-1-39-1 Jayasunya 8 3-0-39-1, de Sava 4-0-30-1

SPITANKA S T Jayasunya c Arwer b Wodar 18 Naturaharana b Javed ... A P Guruscha Ibw Javed ... P A de Silva c Lafeet b Soqlain "A Renetunga c Lafeet b Soqlain A S Majanama Ibw Waqar ... H P Tifeleratre Ibw Renman ... K D B K Dremmasha c Inzanah H P Titlekeratne Ibw Horman K D P K Dramasena c Inzanam b Sacisin W P U C J Veas not dur G P Wickermasriche b Rehman M Murakitheran c Raja b Rehman Edras (b 5, w 7, nb 3) ....

Total (32.5 overs) ........ FALL OF WICKETS: 1-70, 2-96, 3-100, 4-106, 5-106, 6-146, 7-164, 8-172, 9-172. BOWLING Yours 7-0-38-2, Javed 7-0-32- Returnan 35-0-27-3. Sagisin 7-0-46-3.
 Sohal 6-0-21-0, Salim Mail. 2-0-3-0 Man-of-the-match: Sactism Mushfact Man-of-the-senes: S.T. Jayasutya Umpres: R.Tifin (Zm), G. Sharp (Eng)

Third umpirer D Orchard (SA)

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Northemoton 26 Newcastle Northampton: Tries: Aftern Thomeyorofi Cons: Grayson 2 Pens: Grayson 2 Dropped goals: Grayson 2 Newcastle: Try: Underwood 13 Nottengham Watertoo: Try: White Con: Thompson Pens: Thompson 2 Nottingham: Tries: Brennan, Hodglunson, Smallwood Cons: Hodglunson 3 Pen: Hodglunson.

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Courage Clubs Championship

First division 41 Harlequins

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CANCELLED: Glasgow Acads v Glasgow Southern, SUPER-12 TOURNAMENT: Wellington 27 Natal 43 (m Wellington) Auckland 30 Notihem Transvaal 26 (in Auckland)

#### **GUIDE TO THE WEEK AHEAD**

### TOMORROW

FOOTBALL Kick-off 7:30 unless stated " denotes all-ticket match CENDISE BUTCHER THEACH
ENDS LEIGH INSURANCE LEAGUE: First
division: Leicester V West Bromwich (7.45).
Lunon: v Stoke (7.45). Second division:
Boumernouth v Swarsea (7.45); Brighton v
Burntey (7.45). Notics County v Bristol
Rovers (7.45): Strewsbury v Chesterfield.
Third division: Scarborough v Bury. BELL'S SCOTTISH LEAGUE: Pramier division: Parick v Aberdoen

CLUB MATCH: Weston-super-Mare Glamorgan Wandorers (7,30). RUGBY LEAGUE STONES SUPER LEAGUE: Hat/ax (Castleloid (7.30) OTHER SPORT PACING: Southwell (AW, 20). Uncorner (210), Welherby (220)

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Report (2.10), Exercit (2.20); (2.0)

WEDNESDAY

SPEEDWAY: World championship: British sent-Inals (Poole, 730): Premier League. Hull v. Coventry (7,30): Long Eaton v Edinburgh (730) THURSDAY - FOOTBALL

CLUB MATCH: Lichteld v H M Presons OTHER SPORT HOCKEY: Women's international Great Britain v Holland (Birtham Abbey, 3.0) PREDWAY: Premer Leaguer Ipswich v Poole (7 33): London v Wolvertempton (7 30): Middlesbrough v Hull (7.30): Shel-led v Edriburgh (7 45)

RUGBY LEAGUE Alck-oft 7 30 STONES SUPER LEAGUE: Warmgton v Haita. Second division: Barrow v South OTHER SPORT

SATURDAY FOOTBALL Kick-off 3.0 unless stated

FA CARLING PREMIERSHIP: Chelson v Leods, Coventry v Queens Park Rangors, Manchester City v Sheffield Wednesday, Middlesbrough v Wimbedon; Notinighorn Forest v Bleekburn: Southampton v Manchester Linted: West Ham v Bolton. ENDSLEIGH INSURANCE LEAGUE: First division: Barmiey v Reading: Burmingham v Litton: Crystel Palace v Southend Huddersfield v Mahvali: Oldham v Wolverhampton: Sheffield United v Sunderland, Stoke v Porsmanth, Tranmare v Lecester Wattond v Port Vale. West Bromwich v Grinsby Second division: Brantford v Notro County Bristol Rovers v Blackpoot: Burnley v Peterborough Carlisle v Whicham, Chesterfield v Bistol City Hull v Croxe Swansea v Brighton: Swindon v Bournemouth: Walsell v Bradford: York v Wycombe Third division: Samet v Hartlepoot Bury v Torquay: Cambridge United v Doncaster Chester v Rochdale Colchester v Fulham; Gätingham v Exert Hereland v Loyton Overn Lincoln v Manshala, Plymouth v Scarborough: Preston v Nonhampton, Scurihope v Cardill Wigan v Darkrigton ENDSLEIGH INSURANCE LEAGUE: First

VALIXHALL CONFERENCE: Dover v Almuseuma, uumritateNGE: Dover v Al-imoham, Gateshead v Wolting, Hednes-ford v Dagenham and Redt, Natierrag v Morecambe Stough v Wehrig, Southport v Bett, Stevenage v Statytodge, Tefford v Halifat FA UMBRO TROPHY: Semi-finals, first leg: "Hydo v Morthwich Macclesheld v Charley.

Chorley.

BELL'S SCOTTISH LEAGUE: Premier

nock v Falkirk Ram v Hearts Rangers v Parick First division: Ctydebank v Andrie: Dumbarton v St Mirron Dumble v Dunlembine, Hamilton v Greenock Monton: St Johnstone v Dundee Unided Second division: Berweck v Montors: Chyde v East File; Fotor v Sterringr Oseen Ct South v Stringr Stenhousemur v Avr. Third division; Brochin v Livingston: Celey This v Cowdenbath, East Strling v Albian, Dueen's Park v Aroroath Ross County v Alloa

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INSURANCE CORPORATION LEAGUE:
First division: Ballymena v Young Munster
(2.30), Instorians v Sharmon (2.30) Old
Belvactier v Blachrick Catlego (2.30) Old
Wesley v Cark Constitution (2.30). St Mary's
College v Lanscowne (2.30) Second
division: Cloniari v Malane (2.30):
Grevstones v Dungannon (2.30): NIFC v
Old Croscom (2.30), Telenura Coll v
Donom (2.30). Winderers v Bealine Rand-Dolphin (2:30), Wanderers v Beative Rang-ers (2:30)

RUGBY LEAGUE STONES SUPER LEAGUE: Oldham Leads (6.0); Paris v Workington (7.0) CRICKET UNIVERSITY MATCH Itest day of three The Parks: Oxford University The Parks: Leicestershire.

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OTHER SPORT ATHLETICS: Bupa International Road Races (Portsmouth). BASKETBALL: Budweiser League: Cham-BOWLS: Men's English indoor champion-ships (Melton Movibray)

BOXING: World Boxing Organisation BOXING: World Boxing Organisation weterweight championship Earmonn Loughran (Ballymens, holder) v Jorge Lus Lopez (Men) World Boxing Organisation championship Paul Welr (Scot) v Beby Jake Mallata (SA holder) World Boxing Organisation inter-continental super-middleweight championship twacantil Paul Whight (Averpool) v Stephen Wilson (Waltylord) (Everton Park Spons Centre Liverpool) Brush Inghi-middleweight championship Ensley Bingham (Manchester, holder) v Gary Logan (Bindon) (Wythenshawe Forum Manchester)

RACING: Ascet (2.0). Warneck (1.50) Wolverhampton (AW, 7.0), Newton Abbor Weiverhampton (AW, 7 (20), Sedgeheid (145) (20), Scoglated 11 451
SNDOKER: European Leagus (Diamond
Centre Ethingborough)
SPEEDWAY: Premier League. Bradford v
Exter (7 30): Coventity v Hull (7 30)
Chadley Health and Stoke v Oxford (at Stoke, 7:30), Eastbourne v London (7:30) Swindon v Belle Vue (7:30) SUNDAY FOOTBALL

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ENDSLEIGH INSURANCE LEAGUE: First division: Charlton v Derby (2.55) Ipswich v Norwich AUTO WINDSCREENS SHIELD FINAL: Rotherham v Shrewsbury (at Wembley, 3.0) BELL'S SCOTTISH LEAGUE: Premier division: Hiberman v Celnc (1 15) RUGBY LEAGUE

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division: Bramley v Chorley (5.0) Hull K Rv
Prescot Hunster v Leigh (3.30), Samion v
Doncaster (6.30) York v Cartisle (3.15) OTHER SPORT

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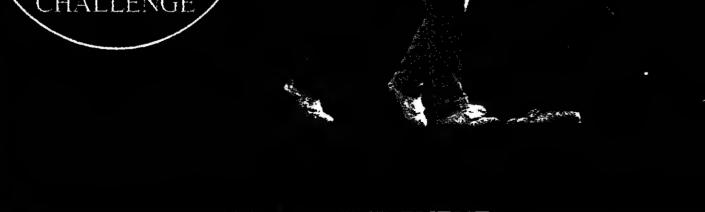
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AMERICAN SERVICE

## No maintenance in assignment Camdex International Ltd v Bank of Zambia Refore Mr Justice Neill Lord Central Bank of Kuwait assigned absolutely to the plaintiffs the debts due under the 1988 agree-

s charge  $\frac{\overline{co}}{co}$ 

Justice Peter Gibson and Lord Justice Hobbouse Judgment April 3) The assignment of a bona fide debt by its owner, in accordance with

section 136 of the Law of Property Act 1925, was not invalid even if the necessity for litigation to recover it was contemplated.

It was not contrary to public policy for the new owner of the assigned debr to sue for recovery of the debt even if the original owner retained an interest. What was contrary to public policy and ineffective was an agreement which had maintenance or champerty as its object; such a consequence would not be avoided by dressing up a transaction which had that character and intent as an assignment of a debt.

The Court of Appeal so stated dismissing an appeal by the defendant, the Bank of Zambia, from the judgment of Mr Justice Longmore of September 18, 1995 when on an application for summary judg-ment under Order 14 of the Rules of the Supreme Court by the plaintiffs, Candex International Ltd. he ordered that judgment be emered for the plaintiffs in the sum of about 20.5 million Kuwaiti dinars and interest amounting to about 15.4 million Kuwaio dinars.

The action was commenced by writ dated May 26, 1995. In their points of claim the plaintiffs pleaded that on May 18, 1982 the Central Bank of Kuwait deposited with the defendant the sum of 15 million Kuwaiti dinars for a year at an agreed rate of interest. The deposit was renewed in sub-sequent years with the interest

On May 19, 1983 the Central Bank of Kuwait and the defendant entered into two further agree-ments re-scheduling part of the defendant's interest liability and extended the deposit of the principal sum and the balance of the interest for a further year. The defendant paid a sum of 616,098 Kuwaiti dinars during 1990 but otherwise failed to pay the sums

due under the 1938 agreements. Having pleaded the Indebted-ness of the defendant to the Central Bank of Kuwait, the plaintiffs pleaded that by a document to writing dated April 27, 1995 the

Lordsvale Finance plev Bank

A provision in an agreement for a

Mr Justice Colman so held in the Queen's Bench Division in enter-

ing summary judgment under

Order 14 of the Rules of the Supreme Court for the plaintiffs,

Lordsvale Finance pic, in an action

claiming against the defendant, the Bank of Zambia, payment of the principal sum owed under two

agreements together with default

The plaintiffs were assignees of

rights arising under two oil import

facility agreements made in 1984 and 1985 between two syndicates of

banks and the defendant under

which large financial facilities were made available to the defen-

dant. The defendant had defaulted

when the facility advances had

The amount of default interest

claimed by the plaintiffs in 1995

exceeded the principal amounts

due under the agreements. Judg-

ment had been entered against the

defendant in a first action for the

principal amounts and when the

defendant failed to pay the default

interest a second action was

The defendant served points of

defence which included the conten-tion that under an article of the

fallen due for repayment in 1986.

prospective modest increase in the rate of default interest was not a

Before Mr Justice Colman

(Judgment March 20)

of Zambia

ments and that the plaintiffs had given written notice of the assignment to the defendant and that they had accordingly become entitled to the payment of the debt to

Mr Timothy Walker, QC and Mr Richard Handyside for the defendant; Mr Mark Howard for

LORD JUSTICE HOBHOUSE said that the defendant did not dispute its indebtedness to the Central Bank of Kuwan or the amount of the debt. It solely disputed the validity and enforceability under English law of the assignment of the debt by the Central Bank of Kuwait to the

the defendant sought to rely was that it was illegal to to engage in maintenance or champerty. Until the Criminal Law Act 1967 such activities were both criminal and tortious. The principle of public collect curvined: see section 14(7). policy survived: see section 14(2). A person was guilty of maintenance if he supported litigation in which he had no legitimate interest

without just cause or excuse.

The principle of law on which

Champerty was an aggravated form of maintenance and occurred when a person maintaining an-other's litigation stipulated for a share of the proceeds of the action. What was objectionable was trafficking in litigation, The modern approach was not to extend the types of involvement in litigation which were considered objec-

tionable. There was a telldency to recognise less specific interests as justifying the support of the litieation of another. Section 136 of the 1925 Act eplaced the equivalent provision in the Judicature Act 1873 which made assignable in law any debt or other legal chose in action. The ffect of the 1873 Act was to require the legal recognition, subject to the stated formalities, of the assignment and enabled the assignee to sue on the assigned debt and obtain legal remedies in respect of it. The 1873 Act was considered in a

number of cases in the Court of Appeal over the following years. Those decisions were clear. Debts were a species of property and since that date in both law and

calculation was unenforceable

because it was in the nature of a

Miss Barbara Dohmann, OC

and Mr Michael Lazarus for

Lordsvale Finance; Mr Michael Brindle, QC and Mr Richard

Handyside for Bank of Zambia.

... that the defendant contended, inter-

constituents of default interest included an unexplained | per cent

in addition to the margin and the

cost of obtaining dollar deposits to fund the bank's participation, the I

per cent was a penalty, it was said to be in terrorem the borrower, its

sole function being to ensure

His Lordship said that the point

was of considerable importance to

English banking law because it

was a well known fact that a default interest rate uplift was very widely used, particularly in syn-dicated loans such as in the present

Having considered the history of

the relevant case law, his Lordship said that there seemed to be no

reason in principle why a contract

tual provision, the effect of which

was to increase the consideration

payable under an executory contract upon the happening of default, should be struck down as

penalty if the increase could in the

circumstances be explained as commercially justifiable, provided

always that its dominant purpose

was not to deter the other party

compliance with the agreements.

MR JUSTICE COLMAN said

erry they might be transferred to another and the legal rights which were the incidents of that property might be exercised by the new owner of that property.

it had to be observed from the outset that there was no authority which contradicted the right of the plaintiffs to recover. There was a debt and it was assigned in accordance with the statute

The need for lingation in order or recover the debt was contemplaced but the need for such litigation did not make the assignment illegal or unenforceable. As a disputed but as a matter of law that was immaterial provided it could be said that there was a debt to be assigned.

The price paid by the plainoffs to purchase the debt was heavily discounted but there was no evidence that il represented anything of the debt. The debtor was and remained insolvent and unable to pay its debts in the ordinary

However, the defendant argued that nevertheless the assign was not as a matter of law enforceable and relied on Laurent v Sale & Co (1963) 1 WLR 829): Trendtex Trading Corporation v Credit Suisse [1982] AC 679) and In re Trepca Mines Ltd (No 2) [1963] Ch 199).

Trepca Mines did not involve any question of an assignment. It was a case of a liogant who was financially supported by another in return for a share of the proceeds. The agreement between the litigant and the financier was unquestionably champertous in character and the actual question concerned the duties of the solicitor

acting for the litigant.
It was authority for the proposition that it was possible to make a champertous agreement in relation to legal proceedings for the recovery of a debt. It did nor qualify, or purport to qualify, in any way the earlier authorities. Laurent v Sale was authority for

the propositions that the substance and not the form of any transactions had to be looked at and that, if there was any actual champertous intention, then that illegal or improper intention made was well established in English law that an agreement which had equity. Like other species of prop- an illegal object was likewise

While fully accepting that the

English cases could hardly be

described with justification as a

long line of authority and that

none of the authorities was notable

for its clarity of analysis, such

authority as there was did suggest

that that at least on three occasions

since 1725 the courts had been

prepared to enforce increased rates nterest or analogous payments

On the other hand the con-

ventional line of authorities

characterising default interest as a penalty, appeared to be based on

cases where the default interest

provision operated retrospectively

as well as prospectively from the

London was one of the greatest centres of international banking in

as in New York, most of the world's international syndicated

loans were set up. Such loans almost invariably provided for enhanced rates of default interest

It would be highly regrettable, his Lordship said, if the English courts were to refuse to give effect to such prevalent provisions while

the courts in New York were prepared to enforce them.

reasons of principle or binding

authority to the contrary there

could be no doubt that the courts of

this country should adopt in international trade law that ap-

proach to the problem which was consistent with that which op-

the 1968 Brussels Convention, scheduled to the Civil Jurisdiction

and Judgments Act 1982. The

In the absence of compelling

the world and one in which as w

the date of default.

to apply.

Default interest increase is not a penalty

illegal and that an agreement to act contrary to public policy was uneniorceable

The subject matter of the Trendtex case was remarkable and unusual. Before the court, the defendant relied on what was said by Lord Wilberforce (at p695), in referring to Trepca Mines and Laurent v Sale. Lord Wilberforce had approved those two decisions.

In that context Lord Wilberforce was doing no more than recognising that an agreement could be exposed as having a champertous character whether or not it was dressed up as an assignment, even an assignment of a debt. In his Lordship's judgment what

Lord Wilberforce was saying did not go any further than that nor did the decision in Trendtex itself. Thus none of those authorities altered the effect of the statute and the earlier decisions of the Court of Appeal. An assignment of a debt was not invalid even if the neces-

sity for litigation to recover it was contemplated. Provided that there was a bona fide debt, it did not become unassignable merely because the debtor chose to dispute it. Suing on an assigned debt was not contrary to public policy even if the assignor

retained an interest. What was contrary to public policy and ineffective was an agreement which had maintenance or champerty as its object; such a consequence could not be avoided by dressing up a trans-action which had that character and intent as an assignment of a

But, because the assignment of a debt itself included no element of maintenance and was sanctioned by statute, any objectionable element alleged to invalidate the assignment had to be proved independently and distinctly in the same way as any other alleged illegality had to be proved in relation to a contract which was on its face valid.

The defendant had been unable to show any arguable case that the assignment of the debt by the Central Bank of Kuwait anything other than a bone fide

Lord Justice Neill and Lord Justice Peter Gibson delivered concurring judgments. Solicitors: Lovell White Durrant;

erated in that nation which was the

other major participant in the trade in question,

For there to be disparity between

the law applicable in London and

New York on the point would be of

great disservice to international

In his Lordship's judgment,

weak as the English authorioes

which they suggested and for confining protection of the creditor by means of designation of default interest provisions as penalties to

If the increased rate of interest

applied only from the date of default or thereafter there was no

justification for striking down as a

penalty a term providing for modest increase in the rate.

about exceptionally large in-creases. In such cases it might be

possible to deduce that the domi-

No one could suggest that a I per cent rate increase could be such

and it was, in his Lordship's view,

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His Lordship would say nothing

retrospectively

banking.

ments were essentially threefold;
I The words "all sums which the insured shall become legally liable to pay as compensation" un-ambiguously excluded awards of exemplary damages. Those by definition were not paid to compensate the plaintiff, who would be fully compensated by the ordinary measure of damages. They were paid to punish or deter the defen-dant, to mark the disapproval

529.

Municipal Mutual Insurance Ltd Before Lord Justice Staughton, Lord Justice Simon Brown and Lord Justice Thorpe (Judgment April 3) ft was not contrary to public policy

for local authorities and chief constables to insure against their vicarious liability to pay damages. including exemplary damages, for the criminal acts of employees or police officers. An insurance provision indem-

nifying the insured's legal liability

to pay "compensation" was not nolly clear and unambiguous and could in context include awards of exemplary damages The Court of Appeal so held in a reserved judgment dismissing an appeal by the defendant insurers. Municipal Mutual Insurance Ltd. against a declaration by Judge Kershaw, QC, in the Queen's Bench Division at Manchester on May 23, 1994 that an insurance policy held by the plaintiffs, Lan-cashire County Council, provided

indemnity for the liability to pay mplary damages. The relevant term of the policy. when read with an attached endorsement, was agreed to be: "I The company agrees to in-demnify the insured (including the Chief Constable of Lancashire) in respect of all sums which the insured shall become legally liable

to pay as compensation arising out of (a) Accidental bodily injury of illness ... to any person . company agrees to regard bodily injury or illness caused by assault itted by a constable as being accidentalt: (b) Accidental loss of accidental damage caused to property: (c) Wrongful arrest, malicid prosecution and false imprisonment by a constable when such injury illness loss or damage ... arises out of the exercise of the functions of a local authority."

Mr Edwin Glasgow, QC and Mr Christopher Russell for the in-surance company; Mr Michael Collins, QC and Ms Philippa Hopkins for the county council.

LORD JUSTICE SIMON BROWN said that the litigation had been prompted by the in-surance company's repudiation of liability for exemplary damages in two particular cases: a claim for talse imprisonment, wrongful arrest, malicious prosecution, assault and trespass to the person, and a group of claims by plaintiffs alleging abuse while they were in care at one of the council's chil-

dren's homes. The insurance company's argu-

distinct propositions, which his conduct had provoked:

Lancashire County Council v Services Ltd [1993] QB 507, 528-

liability. "Compensation" should accordingly be more narrowly

construed

Construction (questions of public

the insurance company's sub-mission that the natural and ordinary meaning of "compensa-tion" in the context of a legal liability to poy damages was one which excluded any element of exemplary damages, his Lordship could not accept that that meaning was wholly clear and

On the contrary it involved very much a literal lawyers' under standing of the term and was one which would not command univer sal acceptance. Many, including no doubt most recipients, would regard compensation to mean all damages, of whatever character and however calculated, payable to the victim of a tort.

the word was capable of bearing that broader and less legalist meaning was apparent from Lord Justice Stephenson's judgment in Riches v News Group Newspapers Ltd [1986] QB 256, 268).

it included exemplary damages.

The policy expressly en-compassed claims against the police for assault (deemed accidental), wrongful arrest, malicious prosecution and false imprisonment. Torts of that sort by their very nature attracted claims for exemplary damages. That and other considerations strongly supported the council's contended construction.

tion failed, an instrument should be construed more strongly against its maker or grantor. Therefore, were there any doubt as to which construction would otherwise apply, it would plainly be right to resolve the ambiguity in favour of the council.

Public policy as an aid to

First, any exemplary damage award for which indemnity might be sought under the policy would

Vicarious liability insurance lawful

2 Even if "compensation" could and would otherwise be construed to include exemplary damages, so to construe it would be contrary to public policy. Those liable for exemplary damage awards ought not to be indemnified against such

3 Even if the policy on its true construction provided indemnity against liability for exemplary as well as compensatory damages, public policy rendered the policy unenforceable in exemplary dam-

Although his Lordship accepted

That, as a matter of language,

Given, therefore, that the word was capable of bearing either meaning, that is, as including, or as excluding exemplary damages, one asked which meaning it bore in the context of the particular policy. To that question there seemed only one possible answer:

Further, in cases of ambiguity and where other rules of construc-

The insurance company's argument on public policy involved two

the commission of a crime and no one could insure himself against

liability for criminal conduct, Second, an award of exemplary damages was designed to punish and deter: public policy should accordingly preclude anyone liable for such an award from being entitled to indemnity against it. His Lordship rejected both

propositions as being relevant as an aid to construction. Public policy as to enforcement

(i) No indemnity for criminal

That proposition would result in the council being held disentitled to any indemnity whatever in a case involving an exemplary damage award. The argument was: First, any such award under the policy could only be in one of the categories of case to which exem-

plary damages were now confined: oppressive, arbitrary or un-constitutional action by the servants of government, including local authorities and the police. Second, conduct falling within that category would almost in-evitably be criminal.

Third, a person could not insure himself against liability for

turned against about to committing a crime.

His Lordship unhesitatingly accepted the principle that a person could not insure against a liability consequent on the commission of a crime, whether of deliberate violence or otherwise; save in certain circumstances where, for example, compulsory insurance was required and enforceable even by the

insured. In many cases where the question of liability for exemplary damages was likely to arise for consideration under the policy, the police officer concerned would have acted criminally. Conspicuassault, even though the injuries were deemed by the policy to have been inflicted accidentally.

Where, however, the insurance company's argument broke down was in its assumption that the chief constable's liability was one against which the law forbade indemnity.

There was nothing either in the authorities or in logic to justify extending the principle of public policy so as to deny insurance cover to those whose sole liability was one which arose vicariously. whether as employers or, as here, under an equivalent statutory provision: section 48 of the Police Act

The only circumstance which could give rise to any doubt or difficulty as to the council's or chief constable's entitlement to indemnity under the policy would be where the individual constable himself had been sued and was also prima facte entitled to indem-

nity under the policy. However, it was quite inappropriate on what was essentially a construction summons appeal to attempt a definitive ruling on hypotherical facts.

(ii) No indemnity for the exem-plary damage element of any

time create and impose a rule of public policy in English law refus-ing to permit indemnity against exemplary damage awards? His Lordship would regard that

as wholly inappropriate for two main interlocking reasons.

First, there appeared a number f different policy considerations in play, not by any means all pointing in the same direction. They included:

t While it was true that to allow a defendant liable for exemplary damages to be held harmless against them by insurance must undoubtedly reduce the deterrent and punitive effect of the order upon him, it would greatly inprove the plaintiff's prospects of recovering the sum awarded. 2 Even though the defendant's liability was insurable, an exem-

plary damage award was still likely to have punitive effect. First, there might well be limits of liability and deductibles under the policy. Second, the insured was likely to

have to poy higher premiums in future and might well, indeed, have difficulty in obtaining renewal insurance.

3 There was a separate public interest io holding parties to their contracts, particularly where as here, it was open to the insurers to exclude liability for exemplary damages. If insurers took the premium, they should meet the

4 True, as some of the foreign cases pointed out, if the damages were neld recoverable against insurers the burden fell on to the general public by way of a rise in premiums. If, however, the damages were not thus recoverable, then, certainly in a case like the present, the burden fell not on to an individual tortleasor but rather

on to the local body of ratepayers. The second main reason why it would be wrong to accede to the insurance company's argument was because contracts should only be held unenforceable on public policy grounds in very plain cases. The courts should be wary of minting new rules of public policy when the legislature had not done

Particularly that was so where, as in the present situation, the whole future of exemplary damages was in a state of uncertainty and subject to active and extensive

The Law Commission's recent consultation paper No 132 Aggravated, Exemplary and Restitutionary Damages (1993) canvassed a wide range of possibilties as to the appropriate way

forward. A sudden burst of common law tivity should not be one of them. Still less should the court in those circumstances be persuaded to impose the most extreme pos-ition of all: the forbidding of indemnity even to those only vicariously liable,

Lord Justice Staughton gave a concurring judgment and Lord Justice Thorpe agreed.

Solicitors: L. Watmore & Co: Mr

#### Should the court for the first Sport anti-doping code not unfair

## Wilander and Another v

Tobin and Another

In the context of the International Tennis Federation's anti-doping code, contained in rule 53 of the TIF Rules and the French Protocol incorporated therein, it was neither unfair nor unressonable that rule 53 reversed the normal burden of proof by requiring a player who had prima facie tested positive for drugs to prove his innocence on a preponderance of the evidence: that is, on the balance of

consistent only with an increase in the consideration for the loan by reason of the increased credit risk The Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Neill, Lord Justice Peter Gibson and Lord Justice Hob-All the defences raised having house) so held on March 26, failed, judgment was for the plaintiff. dismissing an appeal by Mats Arne Olof Wilander and Karel

Solicitors: Dibb Lupton Broomhead; Loveli White Novacek, against Mr Justice Lightman's refusal on March 19 to

#### and David Judge, honorary treasurer of the ITF, from continuing with or acting upon proceedings against the appellants by reference to rule 53 of the foderation rules.

Mr Justice Lightman in the Chancery Division had cited Conteh v Onslow Fane (The Times June 26, 1975, CA) and Gasser v Stinson (unreported, June 15, 1988) and said that he could see nothing approaching unfairness or unreasonableness in the wording or

procedure of the International Termis Federation Rules. LORD JUSTICE NEILL said

that the appellants had not shown an arguable case that the ITF were in fundamental breach of contract, or that rule 53 was unfair or unreasonable and therefore void as being in unlawful restraint of trade, or that the anti-doping procedures followed by the ITF and its review board were so defective as to entitle the court to grant an interlocutory injunction restraining further proceedings by

It was important that the rules of international sporting bodies like the ITF should be absolutely clear and most carefully drafted to avoid the possibility of confusion and

Different sporting bodies should, as far as possible, adopt in their rules common practices for drug testing.

## fault interest would be cal-

Board In an action resulting from a train, British Railways Board could not be ordered to make available to the plaintiff documentation that included all its fatal and non-fatal accident reports nor its reports on incidents concerning the door-locking mechanism, de-

The Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Rose, Lord Justice Aldous and Sir Iain Glidewell) so held on February 16 dismissing an interlocutory appeal by Jeannie Forrester from the refusal by Judge Phelan, sitting as a deputy judge of the High Court in April 1995, of her application for specific discovery of seven classes of docu-

LORD JUSTICE ALDOUS said

Thomas v Secretary of State for Wales and Another A local authority did not have to demonstrate that it required to carry out works on all parts of land subject to a compulsory purchase order to justify an acquisition under section 89 of the National

side Act 1949. Mr Justice Macpherson Clumy so stated in the Queen's Bench Division on March 13 when dismissing an application by Fdward Thomas to quash that part of the Mid-Glamorgan Council (Pornycainau) Reclamation Scheme) Compulsory Purchase Order 1994 that related to his land.

HIS LORDSHIP said that the object of section 89 was to allow a local authority to purchase land

that the plaintiff sought documents concerning all maintenance, repairs and service records on all doors on all Inter-City trains; reports on incidents involving the opening of doors while trains were in motion, be they suicides or not; reports on initiatives of all doors, the community and second hinge equipment and securing-devices; and reports of claims by passengers or staff who had fallen

from moving trains.

The width of the request was staggering. The judge, concluding it to be oppressive, suggested a sensible way forward: that the plaintiff's expert should look at two recent independent reports, by Knight Wendling and by the Health and Safety Executive, which dealt with the problem of doors opening, set out statistics and commined recommendations. Thereafter the plaintiff could be advised as to the documents nec-

which was unsightly, neglected or derelict to put it to use. The authority's proposed use was to clear and stabilise the area and make it a heritage site. They approached the land as an integral area and the scheme comprehended all three pieces of land. The wording of section 89(2), as

substituted by section 3(1) of the Derelict Land Act 1982, permitted the acquiring authority to perform "such works on that land or any other land as appears to them expedient" where there were works that had to be done to other land within the scope of the compulsory purchase order that bore on the applicant's land itself. The words or any other land" were conclusive. The objective for the site could not be ignored when considering the component parts.

Sameon Co SA v NV Petrofina SA and Another (The World Hitachi Zosen) Refore Mr Justice Langley Judgment March t4 In contractual disputes an expressly worded agreement was needed to displace the general jurisdiction rule of domicile under

> wording of a standard charterparty clause was not sufficient to establish a special jurisdiction under either article 5(1) or article 17 of the 1968 Convention. . . Mr Justice Langley so held in the Queen's Bench Division when allowing the application by the defendants, NV Petrofina SA. cargo owners, and Compagnie Europeenne D'Assurances Industrielles SA, cargo insurers, for a declaration that the English court had no jurisdiction and that

> > Hitachi Zosen, which was carrying the cargo. Mr Peter Gross, QC and Mr Stephen Berry for the plaintiffs; Mr Alistair Schaff for the

the writ should therefore be set

aside. The plaintiffs, Sameon Co

SA, owned the vessel World

MR JUSTICE LANGLEY said ciause 36 of the Shellvoy 5 charterparty, incorporated in the bill of

lading, where the words "general

average shall be ... adjusted to London constituted an agreement

whereby disputes about general

In support of that, it contended that the word "ad-

Convention whereby such an agreement to establish special jurisdiction might be evidenced in writing, or in a form which accorded with commercial usage regularly observed by parties to contracts of the type involved in the particular the trade or commerce

"adjusted" normally meant "computed or assessed"; that the custom and practice of adjusters acting as

a clearing house for claims was a matter of convenience not obliga-tion; and that it was always open to the parties to agree expressly on place of payment and jurisdiction

which they had not.
His Lordship said that the authorities cited provided no real assistance in answering the ques-tion of construction of the clause. However, on the evidence before him, the word "adjusted" by itself would normally be taken to refer to the process of assessment of peneral average contributions; more explicit wording would be needed to create a binding agreement as to

the place of payment. Consequently, the wording of clause 36 was not sufficiently specific to bring the contract within article 5(1) or article 17 of the Brussels Convention, thereby enabling the general rule conferring jurisdiction on the courts of the

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## Penal notice absent

Cleveland County Council v L and Others In the absence of a penal notice, the

court would not impose a sentence of imprisonment for breach of a court order to abstain from an act where there was no evidence that the possibility of imprisonment for contempt had been drawn to the contempor's attention. The Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Russell, Lord Justice Hirst

and Lord Justice Peter Gibson) so

observed on March 14 allowing an

six months imprisonment for con-

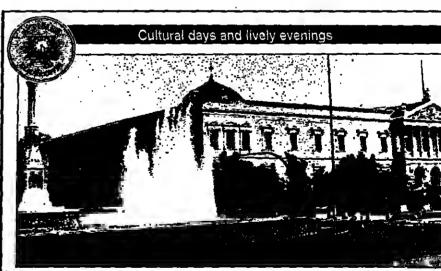
tempt imposed by Judge Bryant in

Preston County Court on November 20, 1995 for breach of an order

of Mr Justice Kirkwood barring

appeal by L against a sentence of

But Order 45, rule 7(6) required that in the absence of service of an order the person against whom it was made must have been present when it was made or have been notified of its terms. The order had not been served and there was no evidence that the applicant had been told what the consequences of breach would be.



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that the World Hitschi Zosen was involved in a collision while en route from Kharg Island, Iran to Rotterdam. There was a fire and explosion. General average was declared and the cargo was transhipped to another vessel to complete the voyage to Rotterdam.

The plaintiffs submitted their claim to special jurisdiction lay in

rule of domicile average contribution were to be settled in the United Kingdom rather than in Belgium which was country of

Charter-party cannot displace

justed" meant "settled or paid" and that London was therefore the place of performance of the obliga-tion giving rise to special jurisdiction as required by article 5(1) of the Brussels Convention. Further, the wording of the clause was sufficient to bring the case within article 17 of the

The defendants contended that

defendants' country of domicile to

him from specified premises LORD JUSTICE RUSSELL said that under Order 45, rule 7 of the Rules of the Supreme Court the court had a discretion to dispense with the requirement that a penal notice should have been prom-

inently displayed on an order

requiring a person to abstain from

Then I was young, going to work for a building society meant a dull future but a secure one - a few years behind a counter, a few in head office doing the accounts, a few more in head office doing precious little at all and a comfortable retirement.

Now the counter clerks and accountants are being sacked in their thousands. Meanwhile, Peter Robinson, who is no longer with the Woolwich, has twitched aside the curtain and shown just what rewards might be available to those who claw their way to the top. Those counter clerks are being sacrificed because building societies have taken to cutting each other's throats and those of the banks, and vice versa. This is called the benefits of a competitive market.

So much for housing. Another basic necessity of life was threatened with the same benefits last week, the Government having decided to extend its enormously successful plans for gas and electricity, which threaten disaster for both, into water.

Various doubts immediately emerge. Yorkshire Water, for one, had better not be too zealous about going for new customers elsewhere, although 1 suppose its skills in shipping the stuff around in tankers might usefully be contracted out to other companies. The whole exercise was marketed by the policical spindoctors as a way of getting back at the "fat cats". This implies the naive belief that we will place our orders with the supplier that pays its

## Can't pay? Then you will have to pay more

our business to the management statistically pre-selected to be the industry's worst.

There is also consumer inertia.

Knock on any door in the country and offer to cut the telephone bill by 10 or 15 per cent, and you will receive a dusty response. I know this because that is just what the cable phone companies have been doing. and little joy they have had of it. A former colleague of mine used to spend many a happy hour plugged into his home computer fiddling with his various savings and bank accounts on virtually a daily basis to maximise the interest. Doubtless he made a few pennies; most of us cannot be bothered, and the same goes for finding cheaper insurance — or cheaper water, cheaper gas or cheaper electricity, f suspect.

But when you look at the fun being had in bringing competition into the last two areas, you wonder if ministers are already in a hole and digging furiously - and in danger of fracturing a water main. Last week we learnt that such is the disarray in the national pipeline system that British Gas and the independent suppliers cannot agree



between them just how much is in the system. The pilot scheme to introduce 500,000 householders in the South West to a fully-competitive market this summer is three or four months behind schedule, and the week's news does not inspire confidence for this, or the coming of a countrywide competitive market

over the next two years.
The 1998 deadline for full competition for electricity is in similar disarray. The industry has fallen out, not for the first time, but now over the systems being introduced to allow settlement of customers' bills. But assume that it all works, and that one day we each have a passel of water, power and gas suppliers offering cheap deals. Prices will fall - but perhaps not for everyone.

There is a theory gaining ground called the social cost of distribution, which says that the rich will get the low bills and the poor the high ones. This is because there is nothing in the rules to stop the new entrants cherry-picking the better-off con-sumers and offering them the cheap-Any utility knows that 15 to 20 per.

cent of its customers struggle to pay their bills at some point. These are the Can't Pays, not the Won't Pays, who are very few, or the Forgot to Pays, which includes nearly all of os at one time or another. These people are incredibly expensive to service. The practice of disconnection has largely died out. Can't Pays are now offered debt counselling - this is the 1990s, remember - pre-payment meters and other such help. The meters are expensive to install, the rest takes up administrative time. As a result, a poor household costs £50 per year more to supply with electricity than a well-off one - on

an average annual bill of £300 or so. Power companies already discriminate as far as they are allowed to, offering a better rate to those who pay by direct debit and a worse rate for pre-payment meters. But neither they nor British Gas are allowed to refuse to supply anyone just because they have a dodgy credit record.

The new suppliers coming into the market, and they include hardnosed retailers such as Sainsbury and Tesco, can do just that. They can ensure their customer base is stripped of the Can't Pays, or even the A Bit Tight This Months. They can use demographic data, restricting themselves to the more prosperous neighbourhoods. Or they can offer individual and less favourable terms to bad credit risks - a £500 deposit, for example, a sum out of the reach of poor families.

The less profitable customers will have to stay with the existing suppliers. Because they are more expensive to service, those firms' margins will suffer, or they will have to play the same game. They cannot by law charge higher tariffs per unit of gas or power for those less able to pay. But there are ways of discriminating further against the poor, such as raising the cost of pre-paid metering while forcing more of them to take it.

Some in the industry have already sounded a warning about the dangers of the social cost of distribution. and these warnings are now soaking through to the attention of the Labour Party. It is a complex subject to hammer into a 15-second

soundbite. But it is an important

Decision day looms for Lloyd's

As Lloyd's names

assess a critique

of its rescue plan, Sarah Bagnall

considers the

way ahead

n July, more than 34,000 people may make the most important decision of their lives. Will they accept or reject Lloyd's of London's settlement offer, currently £2.8 billion? Whichever way names jump, the outcome will have severe ramifications not only for the financial predicament in which each now stands, but for countless others. The problem for many

names is knowing what to do. Lloyd's proposes that names pay a "reinsurance" premium to a specially formed reinsurance company to offload their liabilities relating to risks insured before 1993. Many of these debts relate in asbestosis anon ciaims from th US and were underwritten as long ago as the 1960s.

To encourage names lo agree to the plan, the insurance market has collected £2.8 billion, which is being distributed among names to try to cut the premiums for every name to affordable levels.

if names accept the offer, they will obtain a degree of "finality" and be able to resign from the market and walk away. Furthermore, the

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certainty over the legality of

such a move would probably

cause inertia. In consequence,

the whole market would freeze

and nu money could leave it. What is more likely is that the

DTI could demand that names

pump substantial sums of

money into the system to cover

Slaughter and May says the

basic question is whether run-

off would cost names more than

R&R, and answers: "It is diffi-

cult not to conclude that run-off

would probably lead to in-

creased expense and difficulties

for names. Syndicates would

not be able to close and names

would be trapped until all their

If names were asked to inject

more funds into a collapsed

Lloyd's, many might refuse

and form action groups to

resist any attempts to recover

their assets. They could test an

LNAWP theory, called Dead Man's Stop. This is the argu-

ment that the policyholder's

claim is against those names

who were on the syndicale

could be 30 years ago.

liabilities had been met."

their potential liabilities.

The world of names, the Lutine Bell and Sir David Berriman, leader of Lloyd's members, face majur changes

estates of deceased names will be able to be closed and assets name cannot leave the market if in syndicates exposed to unquantifiable loss.

In return, names give up their rights to litigate against a mass of possible targets, such as members' agents and managing agents. This is because

the insurers of these parties are contributing to the settlement package and, as a result, have effectively offered an outof-court settlement.

Many names are unsure

whether to accept the offer.

and - as some see it - let Lloyd's off the book, or whether to dismiss the offer in preference for the unknown and so forgo the chance of having their debts capped. There is no definitive answer. Various players, such as the Lloyd's Names Associations' Working Party, have put forward alternative plans to that

of Lloyd's, claiming that they are "better" for names. We now enter the grey and shifting world of the hypothetical. It is impossible to impose laboratory conditions on the insurance market and conclude that the mixture of 34,000 names. X units of lawsuits and Y units of cash will result in Z.

This inability arises from the incestuous nature of Lloyd's and inability to look into the future and ascertain what actions the various parties will take or the outcome of many potential legal claims. As a result, assessing alternatives to Lloyd's Reconstruct-

ion and Renewal Plan is far from easy. This task has, however, been tackled by Slaughter and May, a firm of solicitors. The Lloyd's Settlement Validation Steering Group, chaired by Sir David Berriman, chairman of the Association of Lloyd's Members, commissioned from the firm the report into alternatives to R&R that was delivered at the weekend. The report recognises the size of its task, saying: "It is . . . [a] consequence of the complexity of the Lloyd's system that persuasive alternative arguments will always be avail-

However, the stark conclusion of the 50-page report is: "If Lloyd's ceases to carry on business, it is unlikely that any sect-

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ion of the Lloyd's community will be better off," It emphasises that this remark is not advice that names accept Lloyd's offer and that they must make their own decisions.

The report considers likely consequences if Lloyd's went into run-off - when the market ceases to underwrite new business. There would be no premium income. The market's cash flow would dry up. The result would be no cash to pay claims or expenses, with the situation worsened by a possible rush by policyholders to enforce or secure claims.

Furthermore, the Lloyd's Central Fund would no longer be available to cover names' losses, because Lloyd's would have to retain its funds to meet its own debts, such as the burden of Lioncover, in which liabilities of the PCW syndicates were reinsured.

merican policyhold-ers would probably renew efforts to estab-Lisb pre-answer bonds, whereby a claimant can make an insurer put up money for the full sum claimed before the legal action is heard, irrespective of the claim's merits. It is also likely that Lloyd's Ameri-can trust funds would be frozen, making assets held in the US unavailable to meet claims.

The inter-dependence of names means that many solvent ones would become insolvent because a managing agent would not be able to pay out claims lodged against an insolvent name. As a result, the Department of Trade and Industry will bar a solvent name from counting reinsurance as an asset if that reinsurance is provided by an insolvent name. Given the web of reinsurance between syndicates, knock-on effects would trap many names.

The LNAWP argues that the managing agent will be able to pay out claims relating to insolvent names. However, un-

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causing worry in the legal and accounting professions.

The policyholder will progress down the chain of syndicate years through the reinsurance to close process, pulling

inadequate, to pursue its trust-

ees and executors. This is

thousands of resigned names back into the frame. When it finally landed at the door of the present-day syndicate's names, the claim will have swelled by the loading on of costs.
The LNAWP argues, how-

ever, that present-day names would obtain finality because the policyholder would be unable to work his way down the chain. What is more likely, according to Slaughter and May, is that Lloyd's would not let one group of names breach their obligations to another group of names. This obligation arises from the reinsurth close Policyholders are not likely to let names pull this stunt either, and would probably form an action group to fight their case.

The report also considers whether there are other ways to ubtain finality for names, and, if so, now they compare with the proposed method. The report looks at statutory finality: Dead Man's Stop: avoiding liability on grounds of fraud; avoiding liability on grounds of material non-disclosure: and

the Clementson case. It concludes: "We are unable to think of a better form of finality, for the generality of names, than that offered by the proposed reinsurance into Equitas." That is in spite of recognising that it is not true finality - but is the same as the finality offered to names through the normal reinsurance to close process anyway. That is, liability reverts to them if the

reinsurance is inadequate. Overall, the alternatives do not look enticing. However, the report says: There will undoubtedly be some names who remain so angry that they do not care whether Lloyd's survives or not. This is why more than £2.8 billion may be required for the R&R proposals to achieve acceptance ... In our view, it is unlikely to be in the interests of any section of the community to take Lloyd's over

when the risk was insured. the edge. The final sentence of the which, in the case of asbestosis, report says it all. Referring to the As a result, a policyholder difficulty that names have in has to pursue his claim with making their minds up, it says: those original names, many of "All we can do is to express the whom may be dead or lacking hope that the Council |of Lloyd's| adequate assets. Dead names' will succeed in finding enough estates would be reopened and additional money to make it beneficiaries pursued for the assets. Though it is not stated easier for each name to make that very difficult decision.

#### WORD WATCHING Answers from page 30

Oddly (a), (b) and (c), all three definitions are correct. The school of whales gam probably comes from some Old Scandinavian word for game or play. The task gam is said (unpersuasively) to be enomatopoetic, presumably from the noise made by gamping, champing or eating noisily. The teg gam comes from the Old French gambe, the northern form of jambe a leg. GINGLYMUS

(a) A diarthrodial joint having some likeness to a hinge, in that its motion is only in two directions, as the elbow-joint. From the Greek for a hi The knee, the largest and most complex ginglymus joint in the body. **FORFEX** 

(a) A pair of pincers on an earwig or other insect. A pair of anal organs, which open and shut transversely, and cross each other. Also, in humorously pedantic mode, a pair of scissors. Prissy little Pope, so pleased with himself. The Rape of the Lock. 1712-4: "The peer now spreads the glittering forfex wide,! To inclose the lock." GRUNDY

(c) The surname of and imaginary personage (Mrs Grundy) who is proverbially referred to as a personification of the tyranny of social opinion in matters of conventional propriety. Suffolk woman. From Tom Morton's play. Speed the Plough. 1798. In the first scene Mrs Ashfield shows herself very jealous of neighbour Grundy, and farmer Ashfield says to her: "Be quiet, wool ye? Always ding dinging Dame Grundy into my ears — What will Mrs Grundy zay? What will Mrs Grundy think?"

**SOLUTION TO WINNING CHESS MOVE** t NI7! Kxl7 2 Qxe6+! Kg6 (2 ... Kxe6 3 Ng5 is mate, or 2 ... Kl8 3 Ng5 is decisive) 3 g4 and mate follows

## A fan's fight for his hero Cinderella Man. Radio 5 Live, 10.05pm.

Cinderella Man. Radio 5 Live, 10.05pm.

I had never heard of Paddy Monaghan, what he did for Muhammad. Ali and what the boxer did for him. Ulster-horn Monaghan, here knuckle fighter and builder's labourer, hero-worshipped Ali. When knuckle fighter and builder's labourer, hero-worshipped Ali. When the champion was stripped of his title because of his anti-vietnam the champion was stripped of his title because of his anti-vietnam the champion was stripped to him. A grateful Ali iovited him to the US. They became be restored to him. A grateful Ali iovited him to the US. They became be restored to him. A grateful Ali iovited him to the US. They became be restored to him. A grateful Ali iovited him to the US. They became corner. At Christmas time, the champion visited the cash-strapped corner. At Christmas time, the champion visited the cash-strapped corner. Ar Christmas time, the champion visited the cash-strapped corner. Ali Christmas time, the champion visited the cash-strapped corner. Ali Christmas time, the champion visited the cash-strapped corner. Ali Christmas time, the champion visited the cash-strapped corner. Ali Christmas time, the champion visited the cash-strapped corner. Ali Christmas time, the champion visited the cash-strapped corner. Ali Christmas time, the champion visited the cash-strapped corner. Ali Christmas time, the champion visited the cash-strapped corner. Ali Christmas time, the champion visited the cash-strapped corner. Ali christmas time, the champion visited the cash-strapped corner. Ali christmas time the champion visited the cash-strapped corner. Ali christmas time the champion visited the cash-strapped corner and the champion visited the cash-strapped corner. Ali christmas time the champion visited the cash-strapped corner are christmas time.

Monday Play: Uganda. Radio 4, 7.45pm. The imagined sound I kept hearing as I listened to Judith Johnson's play was the rattle of drawbridges being raised and portcullises being lowered. Uganda is about people who can neither physically nor mentally cut themselves off from the rest of the world. The principal recluse is the ailing widower (Ronald Pickup) whose only travelling is done with a world atlas on his lap. He has marked out travelling is done with a world atlas on his lap. He has marked out the return or and his route just as surely as his caring daughter (Bharti Patel) has marked out bers. Right up uotil the play's final lines, this fixing of personal borders remains the leit-motif of lines, this fixing of personal borders remains the leit-motif of Uganda, an emotionally satisfying play.

Peter Davalle

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9.00 News 9.05 Start the Week.
Melvyn Bragg is joined by
guests, Minette Marrin, David
Attenborough, Howard
Jocobson, Russell Stannard
and Michael Kustow

19.00 News; Big Bang (FM only),
Jaz Nelson Istems to signals
from outer space at the
headquarters of the greetest
search for extraterrestrial life

10.00 Dailty Service (L.W only)

10.15 This Sceptr'd iste (L.W only)

10.30 Woman's Hour

11.30 Lotta and the Englishmen,
A young Swedish writer
comes to England to find her
perfect man

comes to England to find her perfect man 12.00 News; You and Yours, with Chris Chot 12.25pm Counterpoint, with Ned Sherin asks the questions of Kenneth McEwan from London, Greham Brooker from Oxford, and Richard Wildman from Bedford, in the general knowledge music qutz 12.55 Weather 1.00 The World at One, with Nick Clarke

Clarke 1.40 The Archers 1,55 Shipping

1.40 The Associated Process Services 1.200 News; Thackeray, by Olwyn Wymark and Barbara Clegg. Jim Thackeray is a renowned landecane cardener and a Jim Inackeray is a renowned landscape gardener and a first-class private detective. His dual life is revealed when a murder takes place in a garden he has designed. With Michael Cochrane and John Molfatt (r) 3.00 The Afternoon Shift
4.00 News 4.05 Kaleidoscope,
with Lynne Walker
4.45 Short Story: The Easter
Egg Hunt, by Michele
Roberts, read by Jilly Bond (r)
4.00 PM 5.50 Shipping Forecast
5.55 Weather 5.55 Weather 6.00 Stx O'Clock News 6.30 The News Quiz, with Barry

7.00 News 7.05 The Archers
7.20 The Food Programme.
Derek Cooper looks at the bread-making industry (r)
7.45 Monday Play: Uganda. See Choice Choice

8.45 How Music Can Change
the World, in the leat of the
series, Devid Huckvale
investigates the power of
music to improve except.

9.30 Kaleldoscope (r) 9.59 Weather 10.00 The World Tonight, with

Robin Lustig
10.45 Book at Bedtime: Stalln's
Nose. Allsleir McGowan
reads Rory MacLean's story

[6/10] 11,00 A Week to the Life, Seven days in the company of Nicola and Claire Mowberry, Iwin girls born with Down's Syndrome and serious heart

Syndrone and serious heart defects (4/5) (r)

11.30 Uncle Dynamite By P G Wodehouse, Staming Richard Briers as Lincle Fried and narrated by Paul Eddington (3/6) (r) 12.00 News Incl 12.27 am Weather

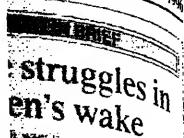
12.30 The Late Book: Devil in a Blue Dress, Paul Wirtfield reads Walter Mosley's crime noir, abridged by Margaret Busby (6/f(0) 12.48 Shipping Forecast 1.00 As World Service

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SKY NEWS

News on the hour:
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Why are the British always the bad guys? clearly the high point of the year. Anybody who thought they could special term for the Uncle Toms of British Equity concentrate nn scrubbing keum out unless somebody starts name-calling soon ("Sheriff of Nottingof their lingernails was, alas, in for a heavy time lolling in front of the telly wiping tears out of their eyes, and stuffing cheap milk chocolate down their necks. Most notably. Good Friday had Eskimo Day (BBCi), Jack Rosenthal's delicate cornedy about parents escorting their teenagers to Cambridge mierviews. It was holiday drama par excellence (and I've never said that before either).

Eskimo Day sometimes looked in danger of running out of steam. but instead it achieved something really remarkable, with an emotional climax that seemed daringly Expressionistic. It all happened in a manipulative instant. As Maureen Lipman watched her son wave goodbye - at the exact point when she knew she had lost him director Piers Haggard pulled that corny old zoom-in-dolly-out effect

Much imitaled since Jaws, this technique vertiginously sucks the individual out of the landscape, and also sucks the viewer into the actor. (Sniff.) Then, while the quartet of abanduned parents stood shivering in the quad, the camera roanted around them. circling them like something from a romance of youth. Well, All I can say is Ihanks. The acting was superh, especially from Lipman, who knows the value of emptying her face as well as filling it. David Ross as her confused husband ("I'm not with you, love") was wonderful.

Back with the plot against the limeys. Gulliver's Travels gave Channel 4 a rare drama coup. The channel has been so thoroughly colonised by Liverpudlians that any actor not equipped with lines such as "Gu Ed Will Ya Snft Lad" is a definite plus. Gulliver's Travels needs no such

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negative distinction, however; it is surely destined to become a classic. Personally, I expected to be impressed by the special effects, (inadequate term), but was not prepared for the brilliance of the story-telling. Years agu Channel 4 ran another Henson production -Jim Henson's Greek Myths, on Sundays - which similarly wove logether narrator and event to breathtaking effect. It is the script

equivalent of zoom-in-dolly-out. The device here was simple: Gulliver (Ted Danson) returns from all his four voyages at once. having been absent nine years. He is considered mad, because he keeps insisting he's met little people and big people. As he tells his story, he zigzags between past and present with alarming case, his confused mental worlds overlapping when flur instance) he pulls a cloth off a table the's describing his heroic underwater capture of a tiny fleet, or when huge ears of wheat crupt through splintered floorboards between his legs, returning him forcibly to a Brobdingnagian cornfield. Euch

transition is astonishing, welljudged and beauofully prepared. Ted Danson is a revelation and to be serious for a minute, he looks very lovely with the long hair and the frock coat. Whether Jonathan Swift would recognise his hook is hard to say. His nosepinching disgust of humanity has been silently removed (this Gulliver does not scramble uver the monstrous nipples of the Brobdingnagian women, noticing huge hairs dangling like ropes! Such niceness poses an interesting problem for tonight, obviously, if Gulliver is to encounter the Yahoos.

here was !? Oh yes, "marred only by". Like Gulliver, John Sullivan's Over Here (BBCI) concludes tonight. Like Gulliver, it is expensive drama with special effects, this time involving dogfights and comic, devastating enemy fire on East Anglian air bases during the war - which is funny or not, depend-

ing on whether it's serious. Over Here was a bit slow to get going, and the American scenes were uniformly tiresome - especially the Yank idealist listening to radio reports of the war, and vowing to volunteer. Perhaps John

is just better at cynicism - which is where all the jukes came from. Meanwhile Martin Clunes and Sam West were both excellent; and Clunes, with his "funny old sort of a way" speeches ("You see, in a funny old sort of a way, I lied") has clearly thrown down a challenge to Edward Fox. It's not every day you witness history like that.
Finally, Band of Gold (ITV)

bowed out last night aher a stunning second series - deeper and bener even than the first, with quality acting right up to its burn. "Jesus I can't Andle any more!" said Geraldine James last night. but don't believe her, she's said that before. Reprieved Carol inherited the chicken factory: crazy. whey-faced Tracey commined suicide in Harrogate; and brilljant Lena Headey (Culene) earned her place in the cast of the next series. Come say iara ia Tracey," they said at the end. I wept, I did really.

7.00em News (Ceelax) and weather (4979205) 7.10 Blinky Blii (r) (6831205) 7.35 Postman Pat Special (r) (7773359) 8.00 News (Ceelax) and weather (5536514) 8.10 Peter Pan and the Pirates (r) (s) (7024972) 8.35 Teenage Mutant Hero

who play Hollywood's villains, but

ham! Sheriff of Nottingham!"). our

national self-esteem will be perma-

nently done for. I have never used

the expression "marred only by",

but there's always a first time: last

night's Gulliver's Travels (Chan-

nel 4) was brilliant, compelling

and witty, marred only (ouch) by

its decision to cast the Lilliputians

(absurd, tiny, warlike) as Brits,

and the Brobdingnagians (awe-

some, peace-loving, soft-voiced) as Americans, When John Sullivan's

Over Here actually joined in this

Brit-bashing later in the evening

(in a funny old sort of a way) coin-

cidence compounded paranoia.

Good grief, everybody is out to get

In all other respects, however,

the Easter weekend of drama was

us. Even we are out to get us.

Turtles (r) (8724514) 9.00 News (Ceelax) (5151224) 9.05 Mighty Max (s) (7074243) 9.25 FOT (s) (7424663) 10.00 Playdays (r) (s)

(6055601) 10.25 Fil.Mt. Blackbeard's Ghost (1968).

Disney comedy with Peter Ustinov.

Directed by Robert Stevenson

12.10pm Pandas of the Sleeping Dragon. In the wild, in China (r) (s) (1755866)

1.00 News (Ceelax) and weather (42966750) 1.10 Regional News (16731392) 1.15 Neighbours (Ceetax) (s) (79312205) 1.40 Torvill and Dean: Face the Music. The

farewell tour by the ice-dencers and company, including their best-known routines (Ceelax) (s) (6809175) 2.35 FILM: Mary Poppins (1964) starring Julie Andrews, Dick Van Dyke and David

Tominson, Classic Disney comedy musical about a magical nanny. Directed by Robert Stevenson (68003224) 4.50 Final Score (s) (9683330)

5.15 Beatrix Potter's Mr Tod (s) (1370663) 5.40 Neighbours (520953) 6.05 News (Ceelax) and weather (523663)

6.20 Regional News (151048) 6.25 Inside the Toybox -- A Toy Story : Special (Ceelax) (s) (767934)

7.00 That's Showbusiness. Mike Smith is joined by Denise Black, Deepak Verma, Lify McConerny and Phill Jupitus (Ceetax) (s) (4595) 7.30 Watchdog. Alice Beer presents a special

edition devoted entirely to shopping (Cealax) (s) (663) 8.00 EastEnders. Kathy helps Pat to reach a. decision; Cindy tries to find some enthuslasm for lan's trip (Ceetax) (s)

8.30 The Vicar of Dibley (Ceetax) (s) (387953)

9.10 Over Here. The second and concluding part of a comedy-drama written by John Sullivan and set during the Second World War. With Samuel West, Martin Clunes, Sharon Geater, Jay Goede, Todd Boyce and Geraldine James (38881601)

10.45 News (Ceelax) and weather (608934) 11.10 Metch of the Day. Highlights from tonight's FA Carling Premiership clash between Blackburn Rovel Newcastle United (s) (763311)

12.00 FILM: Al Capone (1959, b/w) with Rod Steiger, Nehemiah Persott, Joe de Santis, Fay Spain and Martin Balsam. Authentically violent account of the rise and lall of the notorious gangster, Young Capone appears on the scene in 1919 and murders his way to the top. Success through the sale of bootleg liquor and the St Valentine's Day massacre are followed by his disintegration white incarcerated in Alcatraz Directed by Richard Wilson

1.45am Weather (5621557)

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Gemstar Development Ltd. 6.00am Open University: A Migrant's Heart (7809682) 6.25 Questions of National Identity (8539232)

7.15 Pages from Ceefax (1632601) 7.20 See Hear Breakfast News (1620866) 7.30 Songs of the Civil War (s] (82866)

8.30 Songs of Praise (r) (Ceelar) (s) (9421576) 9.05 FILM: A Canterbury Tale (1944, b/w) with Eric Portman and Sheila Sim. Offbeat

drama set during the Second World War Directed by Michael Powell and Emeric Pressburger (14112446) 11.05 Argentine Grand Prix (r) (s) (3566863) 11.45 ice Skating Gala (s) (9545137)

12.35sm The Royal Institution Christmas Lectures: Planet Earth, an Explorer's Guide: On the Edge of the World (1/5)

1.35 FILM: Houseboat (1958). With Cary Grant and Sophia Loren, A woman takes a job as a governess for a widower's unruly broad. Directed by Melville Shavelson (Ceefax) (29942755)

3.20 FILM: Arabesque (1966) With Gregory Peck and Sophia Loren. An American agrees to decipher a hieroglyph in the interests of world peace. Directed by Stanley Donen (Ceetax) (31196137) 5.00 Ready, Steady, Cook(s) (5601) 5.30 Esther (s) (156)



David Attenborough at work (6.00pm)

6.00 Attenborough in Paradise (Ceelax) (s) (29446) 7.00 Anne Frank Remembered, Jon Blair's

Oscar-winning documentary about the the and legacy of the teenager whose diary records two years in hiding in an Amsterdam office building during the Second World War. In a combination of archive film with contemporary footage, it lells the story of Anne's life from childhood in Fresikfurt and Amsterdam to discovery and death in Bergen-Beisen in 1945 (r) (33589069)

8.55 Close Up Double Bill. Richard Fleischer and Nick Park select scenes from their favourite films (545750)

9.10 The X Files. Mulder becomes obsessed with investigating a case that closely parallels an encounter he experienced as a child (r) (Ceetax) (s) (310137)

9.55 This Life. . Anna resorts to devious means to get her own way and Warren loses his temper over a muesti yoghuri (Ceefax) (s) (824576) 10.35 FILM: Husbands and Wives (1992) with

Woody Allen, Blythe Danner, Judy Davis. Juliette Lewis, Liam Neeson and Mia Farrow. A happity married couple begin to re-evaluate their marriage when their best triends announce that they are splitting up. Directed by Woody Allen (Ceelax) (68603392). Followed by

12.30mm-6.00 The Learning Zone

CHOICE

Attenborough in Paradise BBC2, 6.00pm

You are a hird of paradise and for hundreds nf years you have enurted and mated in the furests of New Guinea and hardly a human being has set eyes upon you. Now comes Sir David Attenborough and a camera crew and David Attenborough and a cathera crew and your intinucies are recorded for all to see. But Sir David is such a nice chap and so enthusiastic that you would find it hard to begrudge him a childhood ambition. His passion for birds of paradise began when he was nine. He first tried to see them in the wild in 1957 but they played hard to get and in any case the technology was primitive. He has much bener fortune this time. He and his team track down (I species, nine of which have never been filmed before. Foolage of the birds, relatives of the birds of paradise, is no less spectacular. Even by the normal high standards of wildlife programmes, this one is a treat.

The Hypnotic World of Paul McKenna

Ordinary people are hypnotised into doing silly but harmless things, such as taking part in a spool of Through the Keyhole and watching their own house being rubbished or selling an unsaleable car to Gloria Hunniford. Some of Mckenna's stunts become a shade complicated for their own good. A couple who do not even know each other are persuaded they are on their honeymoon. Hardly have they got into the appropriate mood, than along comes a vamp from EastEnders to persuade the "husband" to be unfaithful. On a slightly more useful note, Mckenna claims to be able to hypnotise people out of their phobias. It seems to work for Bobby Duvro, who cannot stand spiders, while Paul Ross, who has a fear of heights, is inveigled into taking part in a high-wire act at the Blackpool circus.

Circles of Deceit: Kalon

ITV: 9.00pm ...... man returns for one of his occasional appearances in a thriller which offers undemanding fare for a Bank Holiday. This and a complicated plot it is, but hold on to the words "drugs" and "manus. is a drama where plot is almost everyth words "drugs" and "money laundering" and you will soon get the drift. Waterman is called in by his icy woman controller (Susan Jameson) when an army captain is murdered and, although this seems improbable, he becomes a messenger with a merchant bank. There is also the chance for a quasi-romantic encounter with the dead man's girlfriend (Saskia Wickham, taking a break from Peak Practice). The launderer-in chief is played by the late Simon Cadell in his final television role. It is not one of his more testing, but he makes a smooth villain.

BBC1. 8\_10pm

Dawn French returns for an Easter one-off as the village vicar in genial conflict with her faithful parishioners. The name of Richard (Blackadder) Curus as scriptwriter may have prepared us for something more subversive than this amiably comic view of English village life but it is a likeable show which deserves further exposure. The juntaposition of French, once a leader of alternative comedy, and such stalwarts of a more conventional tradition as Gary Waldhorn, John Bluthal, Trevor Peacock and the incomparable Liz Snuth, has proved especially fruitful. The bonus is Emma Chambers's guileless Alice, forever baffled by the vicar's dubious jokes after the final credits. The fun tonight centres on the villagers' sacrifices for Lent and something called the Dibley bunny. Peter Waymark 6.00am GMTV (7503048) 9.25 Win, Lose or Draw (s) (7216953) 9.55 Bugs Bunny's Easter Funnies. Compilation (1588566) 10.55 FILM: Bingo (1991) Drama about a boy

and his dog, with Cindy Williams and David Rasche (s) (67975576) 12.30 News and weather (Telelext) (67326514) 12.40 Coronation Street (r) (Teletext)

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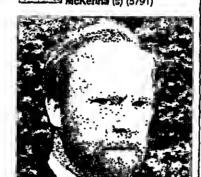
1.20 FILM: The Train Robbers (1973). Widow Ann-Margrel hires Civil War veteran John Wayne to retrieve stolen gold and clear her family name, Directed

by Burt Kennedy (61936507) 3.05 FILM: The Man Who Would Be King (1975). Director John Huslon's adapfation of Kipling's short story. Sean Connery and Michael Caine are army pals in 1880s India, who travel to and become god-like rulers in a remote kingdom, only to see their dominion crumble because of their desire for a native gal (played by Shakara Caine). Chnslopher Plummer plays Kipling 129338935)

5.30 News and weather (Teletext) (318205) 5.40 HTV News (Teletext) (829359) 5.45 Champton Children Awards (5)

(451408) 6.45 Talking Telephone Numbers, hosted by Phillip Schofield and Emma Forbes Guests include Phil Cool, Anthea Turnet. Celine Dion; plus Brian Conley and the casl of Joison (s) (733886)

7.30 Coronation Street. The menioth of Weatherfield spend a day at the races Teletext) (359) 8.00 The Hypnotic World of Paul McKenna (s) (5791)



Dennis Waterman as Neit (9.00pm)

9.00 CHOICE Circles of Deceit Kalon (Teletext) (s) (5428) 11.00 News and weather (Teletext) [348601) 11.10 Regional News (Teletext) (344885) 11.20 FILM: Double Jeopardy (1992). A head teacher (Bruce Bodelinar) sees his lover [Rachel, Ward) commit a murder and

would prefer to sit in guilty stience as his unsuspecting wife, a lawyer (Sela Ward), defends her in court, but he is called to give evidence Directed by Lawrence Schiller (Telefext) (s) (720717)

1.15am Bushell on the Box(s) (45147) 1.45 Customs Classified (2534422) 2.35 Jones and Jury (s) (5661151)

2.55 FILM: How to Murder a Millionaire (1990) with Joan Rivers, Alex Rocco and the adventures of a paragoid Beverly Hills 4.30 The Time . . . the Place (r) (sl (27259)

5.00 An Invitation to Remember (r) (76002) 5.30 Moming News (61083)

As HTV WEST except: 5.30pm-5.45 ITN Early Evening News; Weather (891589)

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As HTV West except: 12.30 ITN News; Weather (67317866) 12.45 Coronation Street (972156)

1.15-1.30 Cartoon (42970953) CENTRAL

As HTV West except: 12.30 ITN News; Weather (67317866)

12.45-1.20 Stuntmasters (7155137) 1.20-3.05 Film: The Train Robbers (1973) starring John Wayne, Ann-Margret and Rod Taylor A western drema about an American CMI War veteran who is hired by a widow to retrieve a consignment of stolen gold and clear her family name. The assignment turns out to be a dangerous one, thanks to an armed gang

Directed by Burt Kennedy(61936507) 2.35am Film: The Jazz Singer (1953) slarring Danny Thomas, Peggy Lee and Mildred Dunnock. A re-make of the 1927 Al Joison classic about a cantor in a synagogue yearning for the bright lights of Broadway. Directed by Michael Curtiz

4.25 Jobfinder (5089625) 5,20 Asian Eye (1313170)

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MERIDIAN

As HTV West except: 12.45pm World of Wonder (972156) 1.15-1.30 Warner Cartoon (42970953) 5.00am Freescreen (76002)

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9.30 New Gamesmaster (8590885) 9.55 California Dreams (6897682) 10.20 Mork and Mindy (6059427) 10.50 The Adventures of Tintin (1235040)

11.15 The Pink Panther (5760137) 11.40 Extreme (9531934) 12.30pm A Box Full of Stories (83345) 1.00 Slot Melthrin (11514)

1.30 Travelog Treks (33886) 2.00 The Greatest (6717) 2.30 Channel 4 Racing from Kempton Park and Fairyhouse (81074243)

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8.45 Hidden Kingdoms (726224) 9.45 Soorio (6161224) 11.05 Roseanne (276885) 11.35 NYPD Blue (936330)

12.30am Film: Attack! 11956j. Robert Aldrich's war drama starring Jack Palance, Eddle Albert and Lee Marvin (83977)

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10.50 Tintin (r) |1235040) 11.15 The Plnk Parither Show (5760137) 11.40 Extreme (s) (9531934) 12.30pm FILM: The Homecoming (1971) with Paincia Neal, Richard Thomas and Edgar

Bergen The pilot for the long running television series The Waltons Directed by Fielder Cook (Teleterd) (74198408) 2.15 My Green Crocodile (93797345) 2.30 Channel 4 Racing from Kempton Park and Fairyhouse Live coverage of the 2.40, 3.10, 3.40 and 4.15 from Kempton

Park and the 3.55 (Jameson Irish Grand National) from Fairyhouse (s) (67224). Followed by News summary and weather 4.30 Fifteen to One (Teletext) (st 1972) 5.00 Hollyoaks (Teletext) (st (7069) 5.30 The

Cosby Show (1) (224) 6.00 Guttiver's Travels. The conclusion of the adaptation of Jonathan Switt's classic novel (Teletext) (s) (14803069)

7.50 Cezanne Private View, The art collector and jazz singer George Melly, the writer and presenter Loyd Grossman and the art critic Sarah Kent tour the Cezanne exhibition at the Tate Gallery in London and deliver their verdict on the works displayed (Teletext) (188069)

8.20 The Greatest. Profiles of the legendary Welsh fly half Barry John and champion gotter Nick Faldo (Teletext) (s) (140069)



Brad Pht, fisherman (8.50pm)

8,50 FILM: A River Runs Through It (1992) with Craig Sheffer, Brad Pitt and Tom Skerritt. A drama about two disparate Church family, examining their lives over Redicted's third film as director (Teletext)

11.10 Inner City Blues: The Tribute to Marvin Gaye. The singer's story is lold through the lyrical content of his songs and special videos from artists such as Madonna, Stevie Wonder, Bono, Neneh Cherry and Nona Gaye (776457) 12.30am Dream Doll. A Bob Godfrey

12.45 The Late Late Show. The guests include Lenny Henry and Hugh Laurie (Telelext)

(s) (167996) 1.45 FiLM: The Happy Family (1952, b/w) with Stanley Holloway, Katheleen Harrison and George Cole. Comedy about a London couple who refuse to leave their grocery business which the authorities want to knock down to provide space for the Festival of Britain, Directed by Munel Box (899286). Ends at 3.20

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**MONDAY APRIL 8 1996** 

BUSINESS EDITOR LINDSAY COOK

Apax offer

considered

by Signet

Signet is believed to be considering an offer by Apax Partners, the venture capital group, to acquire its H Samuel and Ernest Jones retail jewellery chains for about £300 miltion. The Apax plan is to merge both chains with Goldsmiths, the stock market listed jewellery group. Goldsmiths, capitalised at about £63 million, has

made a separate offer to

acquire Signer's UK busi-

nesses, but would be ready

to consider its involvement

The combined group

would have a market

share of about 22 per cent.

Other bidders are be-

lieved to include Gerald

Ratner, who established

Signet in the 1980s under

Amar Makhloufi, president of the Organisation of

Petroleum Exporting

Countries, and Rilwanu

Lukman, the secretary-general, arrive in Saudi

Arabia today, as part of a tour of Gulf Opec states

seeking support for a new

quota system for Opec and

to prepare for Iraq's even-

tual return to the world oil

market. Iraqi and United

Nations officials are due to

the Ratners name.

Opec tour

in another bid.

# **Post Office** targets the travel trade

By MARIANNE CURPHEY

sales through its 20,000

counters. A spokesman said:

We are visited by 28 million

people every week, so the

opportunities are enormous."

in recognising the money-making potential of the travel

business, estimated to be

worth about £7 billion this year. Banks, clothing chains,

including River Island, the

fashion store, and supermar-

kets are all keen to secure a

Both travel insurance and

foreign exchange have proved

popular with customers and

may encourage the Post Office

to expand further into person-

slice of the profit.

Backpackers at the new Trafalgar Square travel centre

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The Post Office is not alone

THE Post Office has set its sights on becoming the big-gest travel agent in Britain and plans to sell cut-price scheduled airline tickets in most of its 20,000 branches across the UK.

The service is now available at the Trafalgar Square office in London, where a six-month trial is being carried out. If successful, it will be rolled out nationally in up to 600 of the largest high street branches. Within a year, thousands

more branches could have computer systems in place to enable customers to fix up their travel documents alongside buying stamps and postal orders. The move will increase the

price war between Britain's 7,000 travel shops and high street agencies, which have been suffering this year from lack of customer demand for holidays, and fierce price competition.

The Association of British Travel Agents has not been consulted over the plans. It

al financial services by the end of the decade. At present, customers are able to buy said it was unaware that the service had begun. The Post Office has made no secret of its ambioons to foreign currency and travelbecome a one-stop holiday ler's cheques on demand at shop. It believes that the 600 larger outlets, but those using 19,000 smaller offices need to order their currency service, which involves the sale of flights only, and not holiday packages, will comple-ment its existing foreign ex-change and travel insurance and cheques in advance.

A Post Office spokesman said of the Trafalgar Square trial that it was too early to say whether the customers had been buying tickets for Easter travel or for later in the year. The Post Office is offering

seats unsold by scheduled airlines. It said that it had no plans at present to sell surplus charter airline tickets. although the possibility of introducing such a service at a later date had not been ruled out.

The spokesman added that Post Office branches might also consider selling theatre rickets in the future, although such a move was not an option at present. He added: "We do not believe air tickets will be sold in some of the more rural areas, but we do feel there is a market for them in larger towns and cities."

Richard Dykes, head of Post Office Counters, has been working with Commodore, the computerised booking agency, to set up the Trafalgar Square trial. In time, branches may end up offering a full holiday advice service.

The spokesman said: "We will be selling tickets for all the major airlines who have spare seats on their aircraft."

He added: "In common with other similar services, we cannot guarantee that customers will be able to get the exact flight they request, but we will try to obtain the closest possible alternative. It is too early to say how many more branches will be offering this service after the six-month trial but we are confident that

it will prove popular."
The Post Office's plans are part of a deal to allow a wider range of services after the Government decided to abandon the privarisation of Royal Mail.



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Peter Robinson, the deposed chief executive of the Woolwich, yesterday after returning to his Kent home

## Ousted society chief back home

BY OUR BUSINESS STAFF

PETER ROBINSON, the deposed chief executive of the Woolwich Building Society, has come out of hiding and returned to his home in Brasted, Kent.

He continues to deny allegations of abuse of company facilities but is unlikely to make a more detailed defence until he has studied an external report into the allegations ordered by the Woolwich board. KPMG, the accountancy firm, and Linklaters & Paines, the law firm, are expected to deliver their confidential report in two weeks.

The allegations have included the use of building society gardeners, electricians and decorators for work at his luxury home. The Woolwich board said there had been a complete breakdown of confidence in Mr Robinson.

Yesterday the Woolwich sought to quash speculation that it is in merger talks aimed at strengthening its position

after Mr Robinson's dismissal. The society denied a report ham Midshires and dismissed rumours that it was attempting to hire Mike Jackson, the widely respected chief executive of Midshires, to take Mr

Mr Jackson said yesterday: I have not had any talks with the Woolwich about mergers the chief execuove

The leading internal candidate is John Stewart, operations director, who has led the society's business diversification, including seming up its telephone banking arm.

The Woolwich said it intended to proceed with its conversioo plans and indicated that any merger or acquisition activity would follow the flotation. scheduled for next summer.

Speaking from his £450.000 home yesterday. Mr Robinson said: "I have spent the last

couple of days staying with friends in the area on the advice of my solicitor. "I'm not really able to com-

ment on any allegations made against me because I have not seen anything in writing and it is only then that I will consider any response. But, meanwhile, I would like to say I deprecate this smear campaign which is going on

hold further talks in New York today on a limited oil-for-food sales plan. BCCI appeal

Lawyers for former offici-

als of the Bank of Credit and Commerce International, which collapsed in 1991, yesterday began closing arguments in an appeal in Abu Dhabi against jail terms and civil damages of about \$9 billion. Defence lawyers appealed against the 1994 sentences while prosecutors are appealing against a single not guilty verdict.

#### N&P vote

The future of the National & Provincial Building Society will be scaled on bers meet at the Nynex arena. Manchester, to vote on the £1.35 billion takeover bid by Abbey National. Of the 1.4 million savers and borrowers entitled to vote, most have already done so by post.

## Rentokil set to raise BET bid

BY CARL MORTISHED

RENTOKIL is expected to top up its bid for BET this week with a 10p sweetener aimed at swaying loyal shareholders away from the services group by John Clark. Rentokil has until Friday to raise its offer but the market is expecting only a small increase from the pest control and security services group

headed by Clive Thompson. Rentokil's mixed share and cash offer values a BET share at 206p, a penny less than the

Rentokil denies it is the source

closing price last Thursday. BET has mounted a robust defence but its efforts have failed to capture the imagina-

tion of investors. battle came alive with a complaint to the Takeover Panel by BET, who alleged that market rumours that BET was under pressure from its major shareholders to enter into merger talks had been instigated by the Rentokil camp. of the rumours but the Takeover Panel is believed to be conducting inquiries.

Earlier in the week, Rentokil ridiculed a revised from BET, which followed a forecast of £142 million, issued a formight earlier.

Rentokil may wait until the last minute to announce its increase in the hope that sales from nervous BET shareholders may depress the share

#### that it was about to enter into Leading article, page 15 negotiations with Birming-**Head of Cookson gets** £1.7m pay package total of £4.93 million to its

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RICHARD OSTER, head of Cookson, the electronic materials and ceramics group, became one of the UK's bestpaid chief executives last year when he earned a total of £1.73 million. Total remuneration. which compared with earnings of £1.35 million in the

previous 12 months, included a basic salary of £581,032 and bonuses of £929,221. The annual report also shows another two directors received substantial pay increases. Donald Carcieri and Stephen Howard, who act as joint group managing directors, were paid £934,628 and £898.597 respecovely, compared with £674,860 and £662,714 in the previous 12

During the year when the company achieved a 50 per cent rise in profits before tax and exceptional items to £181.5 million, the company paid a

directors, a sharp increase from £3.5 million in the previous year. In addition, Cookson contributed £981,260 to their pensions. Mr Oster also received 416,468 share options during the year, with a market



Oster: share options

value of £104,000. The average exercise price is 281p. compared with a current price of 310p. At the year-end Mr Oster held opoons on shares with a total market value of £3.3 million.

Mr Oster and the joint managing directors, who are all US citizens, are on threeyear rolling contracts, an arrangement that has attracted criticism during the current debate on corporate governance. However, the company says it is not in the best interests of shareholders" to seek to renegotiate the notice periods.

Last year Ray Sharpe, vice-president of Cookson America. received \$479,520 in compensation for the cancellanon of a third year of notice which was provided in his contract before he became a

Wall Street braced for delayed shock

## US job figures to hit shares

BY JANET BUSH OMICS CORRESPONDENT

WALL STREET is today braced for significant initial losses as the American stock market has its first chance to react to Friday's stronger than expected employment figures for March

The figures, which showed that 140,000 jobs had been created outside the farm sector last month, appeared to confirm that the American economic recovery is alive and well and that there is no need for further interest rate cuts. Although continuing health

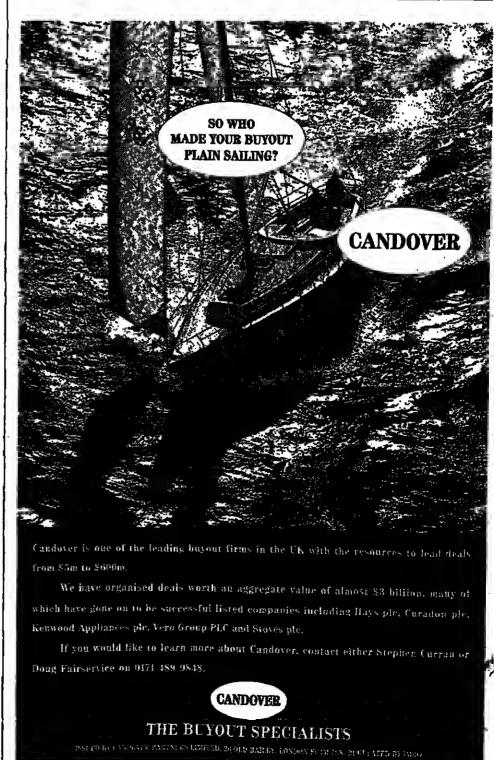
positive for corporate profits and the stock market, Wall Street is still likely to react to the fallout io the US Treasury bond market on Friday, when the benchmark long bond fell by nearly two percentage points, taking its yield to 6.84 per cent from 6.66 per cent at

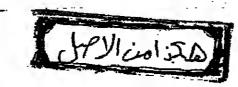
Thursday's close. The New York Stock Ex-change, which was closed on Friday, reopens today, but British markets will not be able to react to developments in the US until traders return to work tomorrow.

The 140,000 gain in non-

February. The February figure was revised down from the 705,000 rise originally reported, which sent Ameri can stocks and bonds into a tailspin. □ The latest Merrill Lynch

Gallup survey of British fund managers showed that 85 per cent of those surveyed expect an improvement in Britain's general economic situation over the coming year. Some 61
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TELEVISION: Andy Lavender on final editing of the great controversialist's last two surreal dramas

# Dennis Potter: the parting shots

t is already billed as one of the most significant events in modern television drama, Karaoke and Cold Lazarus were the last works to be written by Dennis Potter, one of Britain's most original television dramatists, who completed them after being told that he had cancer and had only three months to live. With a gallows grin, he persuaded BBC1 and Channel 4 to collaborate on the serials, which will be transmined on both channels later this spring in an unprecedented display of

Potter's final works, written through pain and against the clock, may prove to be his most impressive. The director, Renny Rye, will come in for his share of praise or condemnation - not least because Potter stipulated that he should be given the job after directing the writer's Lipstick on Your Collor and Midnight Movie. So will Albert Finney, who plays the central character, Daniel Feeld, in both serials. But let us turn to the other, hidden hands currently shaping the destiny of both

Amid the fluster of commentary, nobody will mention Clare Douglas. This will not be unusual - after all, how many film editors' names can you drop? Nonetheless, it will be an oversight of some proportion. Even a dramatist as good as Dennis Potter needs someone to join all the bits together. Film

editors are like the girders in a building: invisible but indispensable. Without girders, you have a mass of bricks and timber. Without editors, you just have reels of film. Every drama that you watch, whether on television or in the cinema, has been comprehensively edited. Every time there is a cut from one shot to another, an editor's hand has made the

Editors are the secret conductors of a drama. They shape its movements: and its flow. Our responses: the sheer advendin of fast-cutting from one shot to another, or by the soothing hill of a cross-fade be-

tween two images. "I went to the cinema once with some friends, who came out feeling uncomfortable with the film without knowing why." says Douglas. I could see that it was because it: had been badly edited."

Douglas trained as a film editor with the BBC and still prefers her traditional blade and adhesive tape to the buttons of modern digital technology. She first met Potter when she edited his complex and apparently disjointed four-part serial Blackeyes. She went freelance to work on Potter's subsequent dramas and is just putting the



Posthumous Potter with a sci-fi touch: Carmen Ejogu, Ganiat Kasumu, Ciaran Hinds and Frances de la Tour in a scene from Cold Lazarus, which begins in May

finishing touches to Karaoke and Cold Lazarus.

Karaoke is set in 1994, the year of Potter's death. Its central character is a writer who is at the postproduction stage with a film he has. scripted. The resonances upon layer - Daniel Feeld has been told that he has terminal

cancer, his film is about a writer. Cold Lazarus is set 374 years later. Feeld's head has been frozen. and a group of scientists succeeds in thawing out his memories. The two dramas form a devilishly quick-witted double about creativity, memory and the exploitation of

people's ideas. The scientists in Cold Lazarus watch Feeld's memories emerge on an extraordinary screen of images that swirl and undulate as if they were reflected on water. "Dennis talked about a living wall, about blobs metamorphosing into shapes," says Renny Rye. This effect is built through three shots

#### 6 The central character's head has been frozen and a group of scientists "At this stage there is a feeling that she may be a government spy." manages to thaw out his memories ?

melded together by the Computer Film Company.

It seems reassuringly human that such wizardry then returns to a humdrum room with formica desks and grubby white walls at the nondescript Twickenham Film Studios. Mark Gravil is responsible for all the effects editing. He works at a stubby metallic affair with three spools going in at one side and emerging from the other, surmounted by a small screen called a Compeditor. Gravil shows me a remarkable shot that he has just edited into the programme: the camera tracks round the scientists towards the "living wall" and passes into the "memory" like Alice going through the looking glass. Better than Doctor Who," says

o much for the fancy stuff. But editors also give shape to the more ordinary sequences — and even here, theirs is a peculiarly subtle art. Clare Douglas shows me a sequence in which one of the scientists, played by Ciaran Hinds, arrives late for the memory-screening. He has been involved in a murder. Earlier in the scene there

has been a cutaway shot to one of the scientists standing towards the back of the laboratory.

says Douglas, "so we are starting to make her appear isolated from the others,"

The possible spy asks a question of Hinds. As he replies, the image instead shows his colleague, played by Frances de la Tour, observing anxiously, "I realised that this expression was more interesting." says Douglas.

You are looking for all those little reactions between people. With Dennis's writing, there is so much in the scripts that you start thinking about the various layers of meaning and how you might bring them out. A lot of it is instinct, your reaction to the nature of what you

Film editors are connoisseurs of nuance. The best of them combine scrupulous precision with powerful intuition. "You put the shots together and something else comes out of it which you can't explain," says Douglas. "It is feeling the rhythms of the pictures themselves and of people's dialogue. There are different rhythms, and in the end you want a rhythm for the pictures that

goes up and down and varies, just as speech does." Potter adored the cutting room, says Rye. He would come in, metaphorically throw the film into the air and reassemble it.

Mindful of the writer's eagleeyed ghost, the team working on Karaoke and Cold Lazarus are not quite so cavalier. Nonetheless, when the press is awash with talk of Potter, Finney and Rye, remember that there are other fingerprints, too, on the film.

 Karaoke begins on BBCI on Sunday. April 28, repeated on Mondays on Channel 4. Cold Lazarus begins on Sunday, May 26 on Channel 4, repeated on Mondays on BBC!

#### THEATRE

### From bad to worse

PROBABLY the worst movie director known to man. Ed Wood has posthumously become a star. Hollywood even made the poor guy's life into a film last year. Now, on tour around the country is a spoof stage musical of his most prized flop. In case you have forgonen, Plan 9 From Outer Space is the risible horror movie, cobbled together in 1956, in which graverobbing aliens buzz Earth in what look suspiciously like flying hub-caps and the zombified dead rise

from, surely, a garden shed. This musical, by David G. Smith (plus some onkering from the British production team), is pre-

#### Plan 9 From **Outer Space** Queen's, Hornchurch

sumably hoping to land in the West End eventually. The cast includes Peter Straker as the commander of the invaders, here a glittering transvestite (with a glance at Wood's own wardrobe). Straker certainly shines in his sequins and stilenos. Adele Anderson, of Fascinating Aida, is in fine voice as Vampira, hitting alarmingly deep notes then rocketing to high wails. She looks fittingly wicked in her plunging black dress but does not seem relaxed in the role. This may be because co-directors Marina Caldarone and Richard Hansom often seem almost as clueless about their art as dear old Wood.

The opening format suggests a cioning of The Rocky Horror Show. Criswell, our mock-spooky narrator, intones (not very wittily) in black tie. Cue, the squeaky-clean 1950s couple, Paula and Jeff, caught up in a lightning storm with dracs and cross-dressers round the corner. Meanwhile, the songs often merely plunder other people's tunes in the name of pastiche. There is welcome variety - Berlin cabaret, commry and western. whatever - but the lyrics are cheap. The catchiest numbers are

narratively irrelevant. There are certainly amusing moments when the show is knowingly clumsy. Criswell's revolving booth subjects him to unwanted jerks. A mention of aliens from "up there" is punctuated by everyone suddenly gawking at the ceiling. Frequently though, this live show is just uncomfortably technically iffy in its own right. Cast as our trusty Jeff, Luke Goss (formerly of Bros) just stands around with his legs apart looking stiffly self-conscious when he is meant to be sending up the original something rotten.

KATE BASSETT

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## MOZART'S SYMPHONY

With its beguiling mix of sense and sensibility. Mozart's Symphony No 29 is his first undisputed symphonic masterpiece. He was 18 when he completed it in Salzburg in 1774. Scored for oboes, borns and strings, the symphony has the bloom of youth on it and yet it is also superbly crafted, written with a tautness and intensity that points forward to the later symphonies.

Early LP recordings have not worn well. Many are too slow, several are poorly played, others have been wretchedly transferred to CD. Some of the period-instrument recordings from the early 1980s also sound rather dated now, with husky string tone and the pedantic use of a clattery harpischord continuo that is quite alien to the sound

of this symphony. The best of the older recordings is Guido Cantelli's 1955 HMV version with the Philharmonia Orchestra. It is a gem of a performance, by turns gracious and urbane, trenchant and intense. The recording is excellent, and in stereo; part of a two-CD budget-price set in EMI's Artist Profile series (EMI CZS 5

Benjamin Britten's searching and stylish 1971 Decca recording with the English Chamber Orchestra also comes in a two-CD set. There is a certain brooding Romanti-



cism about Britten's later Mozart recordings, especially in the slow movements, which will alienate self-styled "authenticists"; but it is difficult to imagine a Mozart collection that would not be enriched by these records. This budget-price Double Decca set (144 323-2) (£14.95), also includes Mozart's two G minor symphonies and his Prague Symphony.

inding a recommendable budget-price version on a single CD is more difficult; but Jean-Pierre Rampal's recording with the Franz Liszt Chamber Orchestra on Harmonia Mundi (HMP 3903013) is firstrate, a very galiant performance, game and expressive in the Beecham style. But the best of the single CDs is undoubtedly Sir Charles Mackerras's with the Prague Chamber Orchestra on a wellfilled, full-price Telarc CD which also includes Symphonies 25 and 28 (CD 80165). Musically, Mackerras gives us everything we could possibly want all the repeats, divided fiddles, the merest hint of harpsichord continuo and, above all, real affection, real drama.

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ernon Handley has a deserved

reputation for getting to the heart

of Romantic music, and as asso-

ciate conductor of the Royal Philharmon-

ic Orchestra he earned acclaim from his

players as well as the audience after an

uncommonly assured performance of

Rachmaninov's Second Symphony on

Thursday night. The music wears its

heart on its sleeve, no doubt, but on this

occasion the conductor was oot so much

in pursuit of its essential Russian soul as

concerned with the nature of its Russian

In a relatively short programme of

about 80 minutes of music overall, he

might have allowed us the extra five or

six trumutes it takes to repeat the

exposition of subject-matter in the first

movement, and so point more strongly

the sense of epic scale, but perhaps

Handley was reluctant to labour its

content. Instead he expressed its strength

of purpose in the relationship of melodic

character to harmonic direction.

emotional drama.

#### Omens, signs and wonders The Purcell Room was London packed with many a

grey-haired music-establishment worthy on Wednesday night for a trip down memory lane. The South Bank's 1950s festival focused on two classics by Pierre Boulez and Hans Werner-Henze; and with a comet up above and a lunar eclipse about to take place, it seemed a properly auspicious evening for the event.

The London Sinfonietta's choice of Le marteau sans maitre (1952-54) and Kammermusik 1958 was vindicated in performances of revelatory clarity and intensity. Here were two "settings" of poetry for voice and chamber ensemble, born of the rigorous study and application of serialism, yet as different from each other as can be imagined. Boulez "sets" the allusive.

surreal poetry of René Char: Henze the discursive philosophising of Friedrich Hölder-

drama

**RPO/Handley** 

In the muscular vivacity of the follow-

ing Scherzo movement, and an Adagio

that restored self-respect to the kind of

music that was hijacked by an entire

generation of Hollywood composers for

its sentiment alone, this performance drew on a high degree of instrumental

accomplishment. Pru Whittaker's first

clarinet earned her a separate call at the

Albert Hall

Sinfonietta/Stenz Purcell Room

CONCERTS: The 1950s revisited; assured Rachmaninov

ling. Boulez creates a maze of reference between instrumental preludes, interludes and song as three poems twist through their "settings" and their instrumental commentaries. Henze is content with what is basically a conventional song-cycle format a dozen settings interspersed with solo instrumental and ensemble interludes. But here, too, there is cross-reference, verbal and musical, though more for the

ear than the mind. Boulez, in his meticulously selected and supple signals for a group of instruments restricted in register (alto flute, viola, guitar, vibraphone, plus xylophone and violin) creates a chaste abstraction of response, throwing into relief

the passionate utterances of the human voice. Fiona Kimm was a powerful wordsmith until the words began to crack and break under the burden. and the voice drifts into vocalise before surrendering to the breath of the flute and the

brush of a cymbal. In Henze, the word holds fast. Now sturdily, in forceful declamation, now in sensuous, Italianate melisma, the tenor of John Graham-Hall relished each thought and image, with solo guitar (Steven Smith) and an octet of string and wind players amplifying expression and focusing attention. In his programme note, Henze, old romantic that he is, shamelessly even uses the word "depict" to describe the activity of the midway instrumental "Sonara". Markus Stenz conducted both works with lucidity, passion and a true sense of

HILARY FINCH

#### end, perhaps also as a token for the Directing eloquent contributions from fellow players around her. Not the least of Handley's skill was in a Russian securing a consistent balance of texture

and colour, as he also did previously in relation to the solo playing of Steven Isseriis in Eigar's Cello Concerto, which bids fair to survive its status as a musical icon of our time. Isserlis was an unusually reticent soloist by comparison with some others' approach to this work but he lacked nothing in dignity of feeling.

At times in the middle movements, including the haunting Adagio, he seemed so withdrawn as to diminish the work's central focus in the solo writing, but it generated a poignancy of spirit that left the listener in its debt for the beauty of phrase with which Elgar subsumed his sorrow as well as his affection for all that meant most to him.

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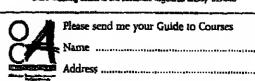
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The solving of a famous conundrum will lead to new challenges, says Marcus du Sautoy

# Is this solution the end of maths?

will be an extra spoonful of jam if you find his proof." Tom Suppard in his play Arcadia is just one of many who have helped to immortalise Fermat's Last Theorem as the Mathematics.

But last month in Jerusalem, ii was Andrew Wiles, and not Arcadia's Thomasina, who was claiming that spoonful of jam. His solution of Fermai's Last Theorem was rewarded in the Knesset (Israel's parliament) with one of mathematics' highest accolades, the Wolf prize worth £00,000, which he shares with his colleague as Princeton. Robert Langlands.

Fermat conjectured that, if n is a number bigger than 2, you will never be able to find three whole numbers such that the nth power of the first is the sum of the 11th powers of the nther two. Or, for those with a head for equations, that xn+yn=zn has no solution where x. y and z are whole numbers. Wiles explains the appeal of Fermat's problem: "Here was a problem that I, a ten-yearold, could understand, but none of the great mathemaricians had been able to resolve. From that moment I tried to

solve it myself." The legendary status of the problem comes, though, from Fermat's tantalising marginal note, probably the biggest provocation in the history of mathematics. "I have a wonderful proof of this fact which the margin is too small to

Centuries of searching for rermat's proof unearthed quantities of mathematical treasures but Fermat's gem remained hidden. Perhaps Arcadia's Thomasina was right: The note in the margin is a joke to make you all mad." With time it became something of a sideline. That is until the mid-Eightles when it became inextricably linked with a much more modish part of mathematics - elliptic



Emma Fielding, as Tom Stoppard's Thomasina

Ken Ribet, of the University of Berkeley, showed that Fer-mat would follow from a conjecture about elliptic curves named after two Japanese mathematicians, Taniyama and Shimura. It was armed with this information that Wiles dedicated seven years to settling enough of Taniyama-Shimura to yield

> 'No other problem · will ever be the same to me'

his childhood dream of prov-

ing Fermat. But with its solution, have we lost the magic that this puzzle has generated over the centuries? Could anything possibly replace Fermat's Last Theorem as mathematics holy grail? Most people believe that mathematical research is long division to a lot of decimal places. With the advent of the

computer, surely mathematics must have all been worked out by now. So is that the end of mathematics? This perception of mathe-

matics could not be further

from the truth. The subject is full of open problems, some of which are much older than Fermat, others which are very new. While Wiles is being honoured for the end of a story, his fellow prizewinner. Robert Langlands, is being rewarded for an inspired new problem. In mathematics, this sort of vision is often more important than proof. The Langlands Programme.

as his vision is called, proposes to unify two seemingly different areas of mathematics arithmetic and symmetry. It provides some sort of dictionary, translating one into another.

The Taniyama-Shimura conjecture, which Wiles partially proved, is itself just a small part of this programme. His vision is so deep that a proof will probably not be seen in our lifetime and will certainly be a worthy successor to Fermat for stimulating new ideas and research.

THE gene-sequencers ought

to be enjoying themselves.

After years of promising great results, they are beginning to deliver. The complete genetic

sequence of baker's yeast, listing every DNA base, has just been completed, by a

team at the Catholic Univer-

sity of Louvain in Belgium.

But they have announced that

the final fifth of the sequence

will not be made public until

They feel that having done

the work, they ought to have

at least the first chance of

exploiting it. But the world's

two big sequencing laborato-ries. Britain's Sanger Centre

in Cambridge and Washing-ton University in St Louis,

take the opposite view. They

argue that sequence data is

basic information that should

be published as soon as it is

available, so that everybody

can have an equal chance of

The policy is questioned in Nature by a team from the

Science Policy Research Unit

at Sussex University, who

show that Japanese and American companies have been much quicker to exploit

taking advantage of it.

the end of this month.

But the problem most mathematicians would trade their soul with Mephistopheles for

a proof has to be the Riemann Hypothesis. It is a far greater goal for mathematics than Fermat. Even if Mephistopheles was to provide an uninspiring proof, the underthat Riemann's conjecture would give us about prime numbers is immense.

The famous Cambridge mathematician G.H. Hardy almost provided the Riemann Hypothesis with a story to equal Fermat's cryptic note in the margin. On a rough sea crossing, fearing for his life, he sent a joke telegram saying he had found a wonderful proof. The ship, however, did not

Although mathematicians are quite happy to explain Fermat at a dinner party, the Riemann hypothesis is a little

bit more indigestible. Here. though, for those with a strong stomach, is a flavour of what it says. The prime numbers are the indivisible building blocks of all numbers, yet their properties remain deeply mysterious. Two thousand years ago Euclid showed there were infinitely many primes.

This year we celebrate a hundred years of knowing what proportion of all numbers are prime numbers. But if you look at a list of primes there really seems to be no nice pattern. It all looks like random noise.

Around 1740, Euler identified a function (now called the Riemann zeta function) which

allowed you to understand all

prime numbers in one go. A function is like a computer you feed a number in, it calculates away and gives you a number out

Those numbers which output zero are in some sense the harmonics of this function. It is these harmonics which tell you all about prime numbers. kiemann conjectured these harmonics look like. If true it could imply that the music of the primes is far from

being just noise. But both Langlands Programme and the Riemann Hypothesis are far too complicated ever to capture the public imagination as mathematics' new Great Unsolved Problem. Perhaps as the solver of Fermai it is up to Andrew Wiles to throw down the generation. There's no other problem

that will mean the same to me," he says. But Wiles does suggest as a candidate perhaps the oldest unsolved problem in mathematics, the socalled Problem of Congruent Numbers. It is simple to state round with ideas. Yet it relates to deep questions of arithmetic and has resisted centuries of

Perhaps a snappier name and some cryptic marginal. notes by the likes of Andrew Wiles and it could find its way into the public imagination.

• Dr Marcus du Sautoy is a Rayal Society University Research Fellow at the Department of Pure Mathematics in Cambridge.

## **Artists** from the depths

Anjana Ahuja on early man's sunken studio

THE Cosquer cave was discovered by Henri Cosquer, a deep-sea diver, in 1985 at the foot of a cliff at Cape Morgion, near Marseilles. News of the magnificent collection of prehistoric art it contained spread quickly, drawing widespread media attention around the world.

Jean Clottes and Jean Courtin, two archaeologists who studied the cave in subsequent diving missions, have just published a complete record of what they found (The Cave Beneath the Sea, Abrams, £45). Looking beyond the beautiful pictures, the book is a tale of exploitation, mistrust and controversy. Several experts claimed the cave was a fake, angering the elite assembled to investigate it. The dangers of exploring undersea caverns provided an added, grim allure — three divers died trying to find it.

THE engravings and paintings inside it in-clude eerie images of stencilled human hands.-Animals also feature heavily, including horses: ibex (wild goat) and chamois (goat antelopes). and there are unusual depictions of sea creatures such as seal, fish and jellyfish. The animals are patterned with rectangles, zigzags and

The artists executed their handiwork in two distinct eras, 27,000 years ago and 18,500 years ago. according to dating carried out using charcoal found lying on the cave

The 490-ft entrance to the palaeolithic (early Stone Age) cave became the last Ice Age. 12,000 years ago, preserving what seems to have been a primitive studio and ceremonial site rather than a place to live.

Divers also found the remains of burnt logs, which were probably used to illuminate the cave while the prehistoric artists worked.

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A three-dimensional solution to Fermat's Last Theorem: the Riemann Hypothesis is the next great problem



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## Why Britain is losing the great gene race

this information than British or European ones.

Of the 1,175 patents so far granted for human DNA sequences, most are owned by Japanese or American companies report Dr Sandy Thomas and colleagues. More than 70 per cent of the human gene patents issued by the European Patent Office are in Japanese or American hands.

Dr Thomas says that Britain's policy of open access means that the country could lose out, as it has in the past. She cites the case of the breast cancer gene BRCA2, now the subject of a patent battle between the Institute of Cancer Research in Sutton, Surrey, and the American company Myriad Genetics, of Salt Lake City. Both are claiming to have

Dr Donald Appleton, of the

BGS, says that the risk from

limestone declines towards the

North, as the amounts of shale

increase. The risk also de-

pends on what is deposited on

tify a use for the gives women who carry it a far greater risk of getting breast cancer. Myriad Genetics filed its patent for the gene after the DNA sequence was put on the Internet by the Sanger Centre.

Though Myriad has denied that it was this data which put it on the scent, it could certainly have been helpful. The irony is that the DNA came originally from the Institute of Cancer Research.

BRIEFING Nigel Hawkes

This means that material from one British laboratory.

another, could have provided a distant company with a valuable patent. "It raises interesting ques-tions." says Dr

Thomas. She says the Government's policy of wealth creation through basic science "sits uncom-fortably" with the fact that an American com-

pany is able to

file for a patent through publicly funded research in Britain. Dr Richard Wooster, of the Sutton team, believes that the Sanger data was helpful to everybody. "Myriad got an

advantage, but so did we," he

says.
The Sutton team identified a length of DNA containing about a million "bases" with-in which the BRCA2 gene lay. But to get any closer they needed the full sequence of the bases, which the Sanger Centre was better equipped to obtain. "It would take them a couple of months, while it might have taken us a year." says Dr Wooster.

Once the complete sequence was available on the Internet, it was easier for both the Sutton and the Myriad groups to identify the 10,000 or so bases that make up the gene, and to devise a use for it to make it patentable. Pos-sible uses include a screening test for women who carry the gene, and long-term therapeutic possibilities, both of which are covered in the Myriad

The open access policy is defended by Dr David Owen. of the Medical Research Council, which supports the Sanger Centre jointly with the Wellcome Trust.

"When it is just a gene sequence, the best place for it is in the public domain," he says. "The more people who know about it, the more likely it will be put to good use."

The Wellcome Trust recently organised a meeting in Bermuda to thrash out the issue. Participants agreed that fast data release is desirable. but not everybody believes that it is possible. Many expect that the Belgian approach will be followed by others, particularly in Germany. Japan is already very cagey with its data, Dr

Thomas says. The problem is, she says. that America has many more companies alert to the commercial opportunities of gene sequences. "Given that Britain and Europe have a weak develop better mechanisms to protect our interests."

#### Radon belt discovered



A STUDY by the British Geological Survey has shown that houses far from the granite regions of the South West may suffer from high levels of radon, the radioactive gas that seeps up

from the ground. Measurements made by the National Radiological Protection Board have enabled the BGS team to identify another belt, running roughly from Lyme Bay to Hull, where

radon levels are high. The culprit is not granite, but carboniferous limestone. Through a which is also found in Bristol and parts of Wales. The limestone does not con-

tain as much uranium -which decays to produce radon - as does granite, but it is more dispersed, so more radon reaches the atmosphere. Drawn up through the foimdations of houses, it can reach of experiments, a team from levels that the NRPB believes increase the risks of cancer.

Bristol and Regensburg universities has shown that zebra finches use the ability to see in the ultraviolet when they are choosing mates.

bird's eye BIRDS are often wonderfully col-oured, but to each other they

each of the males. may be more vivid still. In an ingenious series

They put a female in a square cage, surrounded on all four sides by cages containing males, each of which could

be shown to the female one at a time by moving baffles. Transparent filters controlled the wavelength of the light seen by the female, whose reaction was measured by how vigorously she hopped about when face to face with

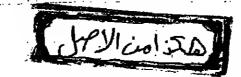
The result, reported in Na-ture, is that the ultraviolet light at wavelengths between 300 and 400 nanometres was indeed important, and probably contributed to the female's colour perception. Birds evidently do not see each other quite as we see them; maybe, suggest Dr Andrew Bennett and colleagues, ultraviolet is a special waveband used in

avian signalling.

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# Grand maternal instincts

As she approaches 90, Elizabeth Longford, who has 26 grandchildren, three stepgrandchildren and seven greatgrandchildren, reflects on the pleasures of the extended family

MY FUTURE husband, then ful anecdotes, I thirroughly aged six, was present at a garden party given hy his grandmother Lady Jersey in honour of Lord Kitchener. "And who are you, my linle man?" asked the hero. Frank replied solemnly: "I am the grandson of Grandmama.

I have a feeling that grandparents are moving once more into the ascendant. This may be sheer conceit of course. But one is apt to feel on the map when one is grandparent to 12 granddaughters. 14 grandsons (excluding two stepgranddaughters and one steprgandson - excluded from the good relationship but by no means from the affections). five great-granddaughters and two great-grandsons. with two more great-grandchildren on the way.

This roll-call would have been nothing special in the Victorian age when grandmothers were the

prop of countless liouseholds, both 'I think he poor and rich. To the poor they were hoped my unpaid nannies and to the rich they white hair became voluntary psychiatric consulwould tants. Queen Victoria quarrelled taste like furiously with her own mother, but candyfloss' when she died, Vic-10ria felt that she

was irreplaceable in her role of grandmother to the royal children: no one else could be relied on to show the same interest in every one of them. Victoria herself was widely admired as the

"Grandmother of Europe". Immediately after the Secand World War, I wondered that future remained for the larger family with its outriders - aunis, uncles, grandparents and great-grandparents. When our eighth child was born a letter arrived saying I was breeding like a rabbit and ought to know better. Mr Nasty raged about having to contribute as a bachelor tax. when you grow up?" Blanche replied promptly: "I want to be ance. Nor had myxomatosis a normal person." Surprised and highly amused, her moth-

alf a century later a volume arrives. in our bookshops which will put Mr Nasty in his place, and the family in its place, along with those guardians of hearth and home, the grandparents.

Dr Joan Gomez's You and Your Grandchild (Bloomsbury) is a miracle of comprehensiveness, compression and wisdom, illustrated by plentienjoyed this grandmintherly saga, even though in several ways it outstripped my experiences and in other ways has been outdistanced by them. To start with, Dr Gomez's typical grandmother is round about 50 and seems to have only one or two grandchildren.

o me, being a great-grandmother means something less cosy and rather more dinosaurian than Dr Gomez's portrait. I am about to be 90, my eldest grandchild being 39 and eldest great-grandchild. Stella, eight. That means they have a real acquaintanceship with extreme old age. I re-member one of the three-year-old grandchildren asking. Granity, why is your hand cracked?" If she had asked why my brain was cracked !

> ised that she had been: examining my intricate web of wrinkles. So a lecturente followed on why Mummy's frand is smooth but Granny's is wrinkled, illustrated by the old and young bark of trees. Another threeyear-old grandchild was much

would have understood. But

hand? Then I real-

taken with my white hair, studying its texture and lightness. I think he hoped il would taste like candyfloss, Blanche, when a four-yearold great-grandchild, and her

sister Atalanta both took immense pleasure in the very name of "Great-Granny", and would always hall me in loud chorus with strong emphasis on the "great". Actually I came to suspect that Blanche thought great meant unutterably old - like Father William in Alice. At any rate, while "interviewing" her for a book about grandchildren, I asked her: "What do you want to be er and I assumed she must be echoing a grown-up phrase she had picked - but maybe she knew the meaning of "normal" all too well, especially in so far as it did not include

the idea of extreme old age. As for the now generally acclaimed magic that grandmothers of whatever age can work within the family, I heartily subscribe to its existence. For instance, our reminiscences can put their



Gathering of the clan: (back row, left to right) Orlando Fraser, Harry Pakenham, Richard Pakenham, Guy Pakenham: (middle row) Benjamin Fraser holding Eliza Fraser, Maria Pakenham, Rose Billington, Rebecca Fitzgerald, Flora Fraser, Eliza Chisholm; (front row) Hermione Pakenham holding Thomas Fraser, Atalanta Fitzgerald, the Countess of Longford holding Honor Fitzgerald, Blanche Fitzgerald, Stella Powell-Jones holding William Fraser, Ben Pakenham and Dominic Pakenham

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problems in perspective; but we must not overdo the "I remember", since teenage grandchildren in particular want to talk about themselves. and rightly so. At a certain stage, the young need as many confidantes as they can get.

I must end with a delightful reversal of roles. In my ninetieth year it is my grandchildren who help me, instead of vice step. Granny. I've done some shopping for you. Here are the jacket potatoes, soup, salad, smoked salmon (a special treat), grapes." After I tripped and fell on an uneven pavement, they all rallied round. And my grandson-in-law turned up to cook our dinner: chops in a celestial sauce eaten to the accompaniment of tales from Moscow. Who would not

be an antique granny with

such compensations?

THE grandchildren and greatgrandchildren of Elizabeth Longford are united in praise of ber qualities and proud of her treasured role in the life of their family. In our brief opinion poll, this is what they had to say about her.

Back row, left to right Orlando Fraser: "Her goodness nes out. She's always interested in whatever you are doing. She's simply glorious and adorable."

Harry Pakenham: "The thing that's special about her is her enthusiasm for people and life. It seems more typical of someone who is nine rather than 90. I hope I am as lucky in love as grandpa."

Richard Pakenham: "She gives equal love to all her grandchildren. whether she sees them once a

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week or every few months. There's no favourinsm. And, even now, she still takes the children up the road to get sweets."

Guy Pakenham: "I have never met someone so interested in other people. I am about to get married and my hancee was much inore interested in granny than I thought granny would be in her. It turned out to be the other way

Middle row, left to right Benjamin Fraser: "She represents a golden age of grannies She is so young at heart, so exciting and energetic. She also gives a very good impression of being immortal. She can communicate

with all her grandchildren."

Maria Pakenham: : "She is not a traditional muffins-and-snap granny - she's more interested in talking to you than kniming you jumpers. She is incredibly tolerant and witty, and encourages you whatever your talents are."

Rose Billington: "She has enormous energy and vibrancy, and amazing powers of concentration. She listens very carefully to what you say and always has an original and fascinating reply to hand. She doesn't just fling out comments left, right and centre."

Rebecca Fitzgerald: "She loves babies, adores children and spots the tinies! things that only a besotted mother would notice. She is incredibly warm and celebratory,

and a thrilling person to talk to."

Flora Fraser: "She has a great enthusiasm for all her grandchildren's projects and a tremendous enthusiasm for all her descendants.

And the greot-grandchildren . . . Ben Pakeoham: (front row, second from right!" You can talk to her about any subject. She knows a lot about music which is good. because I play the trumpet. I think I am closer to her than my friends are to their grannies."

Hermione Pakenham: (front row, far left) "Granny joins in a lot of my school activities, like my poetry evening recently. She's quite active for her age and I love being

ANJANA AHUJA

#### Giles Coren pays a visit to the Tate and discovers that the continentals do not share Hogarth's sense of humour



Detail from Hogarth's O the Roast Beef of Old England shows the painter at far left

FORGET Cezanne. The co-gnoscenti at the Tate Gallery these days are hanging around a picture painted 90 years before Paul was even a glimmer in his father's eye.

And it is an English picture, at that. William Hogarth's O the Roast Beef of Old Eng-land has been the talkingpoint of the casual art world since interest in our cattle was renewed by the recent BSE panic. The Tate Gallery is laid out chronologically, and it is in room two, at the dawn of great English painting that one encounters Hogarth and his revolutionary canvasses, overpopulated, political and, above all, comical.

"Here is a great side of roast beef," says a tour guide, "used to symbolise English superiority over the French at the time of the Jacobite unrest. Look how the French chef. buckles under the weight of it" She moves on to the next room to expound on Constable. But an elderly French gentleman loiters, suspicious, in the Hogarth enclosure.

"C'est pas du rosbif. ca." he says, scrutinising the meat.
"Cest une cote de boeuf, bien sur, mais c'est pas du rosbif."

HE IS bitter. For Hogarth, in the days before English beef lost its credibility, did not suffer Frenchies gladly. "Hogarth était ... je sais pas le mot en français ... euro-sceptic." supplies another young lady, a hive-badge guide and student of art history at Birkbeck College. She explains that in 1748 William Hogarth, while wailing for a ferry, decided to sketch the gate of Calais, which was emblazoned with English coats of arms, the port having been, until rela-

tively recently, an English possession. But he was

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of making illegal sketches of the fortifications, and this painting was his revenge. He himself stands far left, with the hand of a gendarme tapping his shoolder. The vast side of beef is on its

way to an English pub, Le Lion d'Argent, to be consumed by the expatriates who stood for no fancy foreign rubbish in those glorious days of the Whig ascendancy.

While the English eat their magnificent beef, the povertystricken French can only ogle it. A fatted monk clearly covets it, too, symbolising the hypocrisy and greed of the

French clergy. "But look at the people's faces," says a middle-aged German tourist called Mattheus Hauser. They are clearly mad. They have all caught "mad cow" disease. and the halberdier is telling

the beef smuggler to take his dirty meat back to England." Uproarious Teuton laughter follows, but the guide has another theory.

Hogarth hated foreign-

ers." she explains. "He was trying to forge a path for a new English style, and any-Ihing foreign was anathema to him. There is a self-portrait in the National Gallery. which also shows his dog urinating on a collection of

foreign paintings. Here, the beef is integral to English

supremacy."
"Je mange pas ça, moi."
says an old Frenchman, And
several Gallic heads shake
their concurrence.

The guide is unruffled. The French have always laughed at this picture," she says. "The meal is more fatty and marbled than the cuts of today, but that is probably because it predates intensive farming, and is the way our beef would be now if it were not for selective breeding and hormone injections. What makes them laugh is the idea, BSE or no BSE, that the French should be depicted as covetous of any English cuisine at all."

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### Matthew Parris



■ The Catholic Church is losing its grip in Latin America, to a faith that encourages the individual - at last

rom this vantage point, the whole of the eastern part of Lake Titicaca lies stretched out at my feel. The sky and the lake seem to meet, glowing blue. The place feels enchanted. I am sitting on the flat roof of the Residencial of the Empire of the Sim, a tiny boarding house at the top of this village, which nestles beneath the ridge of the Island of the Sun. We are 1,000 ft above the take.

The island is anciently sacred to the culture of the Andes. Pre-Incan empires believed their deities were born here. The tnean civilisation, conquering them. cannily discovered that its deity, the Sun himself, had come to Earth here, bridging Heaven and Earth and, in human form, founding the dynasty of the Incas.

Then the Conquistadors of the Incas, the Spaniards, announced that a wood carving of the Virgin Mary, carved by an Indian craftsman, was divinely inspired. The Catholics founded a great church just across the water from the island, at a village called Copacabana to honour this image of Mary. Later it became the

Patron of Bolivia Crowds flocked to Copacabana to pray for blessings, and Christen their cars and lorries by the waters of the lake, to bring them luck on the roads.

Intercessions for blessings take the form of laying at a hilltup allar small replicas of

the bounties for which the supplicant hopes. The kiosks around the church sell Matchbox Mercedes, tiny model houses, and miniature American dullars to place there. The Catholic Church permits this, although if well knows that the ritual has roots in the pagan Indian custum of bringing miniatures to its own god of plenty.

But Catholicism in the Andes is fighting for its life. As a backpacking traveller. l blunder in apologetically to a subject which is doubtless much discussed in religious journals - and I shall surely err in some uf my observations - but how many Times readers know that the Catholic Church may be dying on this continent, at least as the unchallenged force it has been for

nearly four centuries? Although this is Easter, there is little sign of religious observance on the Island of the Sun. Everywhere I gu in the Andes I see churches neglected, empty. decaying. Even over the 15 years I have been coming here, the change has been very marked. I wonder whether any faith is declining quite as fast anywhere

else in the world? The Basilica San Francisco in La Paz, the ordinary people's favourise church. was overflowing to years ago. Today, although still the capital's busiest church, the Basilica is rarely full. Friends here tell me that the church is finding it almost impossible to recruit new priests in sufficient numbers, and priests have growing difficulties in holding on

their parishioners. Why? The decline of Catholic piety in the Andes is not simply a case of growing secularism, though many who quit turn to no other religion. Nor, I am told, is there any real renaissance of pagan beliefs. It is the Christian evangelicals who are taking up the slack. Indeed you could say that here in Bolivia they are storming the citadels of Catholicism.

All over the Altiplano see new little evangelical churches springing into existence. Constructed from breeze-blocks or mud, with none of the decorative flourish of Catholic architecture, they shout their messages uf individual salvation in crude slogans daubed on their sides. Passing these

tiny centres of worship, one can hear peasants singing The Catholic Church in Bolivia and Peru (though not, of course, everywhere in Latin America) has made two monumental historical

blunders, one political and

one social, both results of its Catholicism deep association with power. It never has attached itchallenged self to the old political regimes, the old dispensasubjugation tion, the old oppression and the of the old corruption. individual And those forces are fading. to the many So fat from

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bludgeoning the peasants into new ways las is often thoughtlessly alleged), the Church has preferred to leave their lifestyle alone, and gone with the grain of their old sins and ways. It has thus become a

lcoholism is a terrific A problem in the Air-des, and the evangelproblem in the Antcals - militant teetotallets - are challenging alcoholism as the Catholic Church never has. Coca-chewing has been a problem too. This is said to be on the decline in Bolivia, probably thanks to evangelical campaigns against the drug.

More than this, though

the message of individual responsibility, dignity and pride, through the individual's unmediated approach to God, is enormously liberating and disciplining for a peasant people whose culnure has repressed individuality and subjected them to the norms of the many. Catholicism never challenged this subjugation of the individual.

To put it crudely, the Catholic Church in the Andes has taken the wrong side. I think its condition may now be critical. Visitors to the Island of the Sun 50 years hence may hear of an evangelical miracle in this place, pursuant to the Catholic one, which was pursuant to the Inca miracle, itself pursuant to the ancient meeting here of Heaven and Earth

## The Chinese Government seems not to understand what Hong Kong, and the world, expect of it

n the past few weeks, even since I last visited Hong Kong in January, there has been a sharp fall in local confidence about Hong Kong's future under Chinese rule. The queues for passports are one sign of that. In January, the pro-Chinese Hong Kong leaders were still arguing that it would only take time for the Peking regime to develop into something more benign, and even eventually into something more

democratic The argument one heard was that China had, of course, made a great mistake in adopting the Russian Marxist model in the 1940s, that Deng Xiaoping had recognised that the American economic model was much more efficient, that already this was producing a younger generation of well-travelled Chinese, many of them American-educated, who were waiting to take China into the modern world, poliocally as well as economically. In ten or 15 years' time, they would take over power from the old men, and in the meantime one must have a linle patience.

Under its new owner, Robert Kuok, the South China Morning Post has usually taken the more optimistic and pro-Chinese line. That gives all the more weight to a fullpage article by Jasper Becker on "China's PR blumders" which that oewspaper published on Sanırday. This expressed the new anxiety which has become very widespread in Hong Kong in the past few weeks. The article refers to China's alarming policy towards Taiwan, to the mis-handling of relations with Hong Kong and to the significant weaknesses of the New China News Agency, which has tended to misinform the Chinese about the outside world. It gives a picture of Peking in which "incompetent and inexperienced" junior officials are telling the leaders what they think the leaders want to hear.

The encircled dragon lashes out

sions into the demilitarised zone heightened the feeling of tension which exists all around China's borders. No one knows what the real relations are now between the Chinese Government and the North Korean regime. In the recent past, on the nuclear issue, China has been a moderating influence. On this occasion, China may have been more willing to see North Korea add its might to the pressure on the United States which had already arisen over the American commitment to Taiwan.

When one looks at China's geopolitical position, it all seems a danger-ous game, but one which is more probably being played from weakness than from strength. China exists inside a large box, with Russia and Mongolia to the north; Islam (in the form of Kazakhstan, Kirghizia, Tajikistan, Afghanistan and Pakistan) to the west; India, Nepal, Burma and on to Vietnam in the south; and Taiwan, Japan and ultimately the United States to the east. All of these neighbours regard China with some anxiety and with increasing suspicion, although Pakistan is tied to China by a still greater fear of India.

There is an historic parallel, and it is not reassuring. In the early years of this century, the central powers of Europe - Germany and Austria - were surrounded by anxious neighbours. Russia, France, Italy and Great Britain felt themselves to be threatened by the Prussian Em-

On their side, Germany and Austria felt themselves to be encircled by potentially hostile powers, including the country that in 1914 British leader writers were to label "gallant lit-tle Serbia". This combination of fear of a potentially dominant power with that power's fear of being surrounded produced successive crises in Europe. The final one led to the Great War. When a major continental power is surrounded, an inherently dangerous geopolitical pattern is created

# William Rees-Mogg

which needs careful diplomacy by all parties. At present, Chinese diplo-macy is irritable, bullying and over-

China's relations with Islam are particularly sensitive. China is the colonial power in occupation of two vast but lightly populated western regions: Tibet, which is Buddhist, and Xinjiang, which is predominant-ly Islamic. These colonial areas make up about a fifth of China's land mass. but contain only about 2 per cent of the total population. Large populations of Han Chinese have been imported into both of these regions; these Han Chinese bave the best jobs, the old cultures and religions have been undermined, there are occasional minor nationalist riots. The Chinese have created a large nuclear test site at Lop Nur in Xinjiang, and have

built large prison camps.

It is worrying for the people of Hong Kong and the people of Taiwan that China's rule of these remote western regions has been so insensitive and repressive, wholly concentrated on the short-term interests of the regime. Unforgivable environmental damage, of a quite irrepara-ble kind, has been done. The Hong Kong Chinese are increasingly fear-ful that the assurances of the Joint Declaration will prove meaningless for them, and that Hong Kong will be treated far worse as a Chinese colony after 1997 than it has been as a British one. The queues for passports may well indicate a further flight of capital, as well as of people.

The more critical Chinese observers are divided about the outlook. The optimists think that what has been going wrong has been eaused simply the gap between the Deng Xiaoping regime and the new regime of Jiang Zemin, which is still being established. In this sense, the South Chino Morning Post could still be regarded as among the optimists, treating the errors of policy as public relations blunders, compounded by the inadequacies of the information

presented to the leaders. The pessimists see these blunders, which amount to a basic failure to establish normal relations with China's neighnormal relations with China's neigh-bours, as typical signs of the end of a regime, the traditional disorder which has appeared at the end of every Chinese dynasty. Fewer people now think that there will be a benign transition from the present Leminist party rule to democracy as the younger group comes to power.

In the meantime, China's rapid

economic development continues. After 1997, the Chinese regime in Hong Kong may do some damage to its wonderful money-making machine. International businesses have so far been remarkably willing to take the Joint Declaration on trust. That trust may be ending. The Chinese have already handled the future of Hong Kong in ways which have done great damage to public morale and confidence. The fear is now spreading to the international financial community. Yet Hong Kong has such momentum that it will take a long time to lose its attraction to investors. unless the new regime proves to be wholly perverse.

In the period before the Tiananmen Square killings, there was great world optimism about China's political development. Even after the massacre, it was widely believed that the repression was only an incident on China's journey to a more open society. In 1996, that confidence has been shaken by the mishandling of Hong Koog, by the continued oppression in the western territories and by the threat to Taiwan. All of China's neighbours, including India, have a feeling that the regime in Peking does not have a proper understanding of the world outside. The tragedy is that the world's goodwill is still there. China has been choosing to damage its own reputation; the rest of the world would like nothing better than to re-establish good relations.

# What Tony learnt from Bill

Campaigning isn't enough; Labour

must show it can

govern, writes

Peter Riddell

₹ony Blair can learn a lot from Bill Clinton - about how to win elections and about how not to govern. The two are linked, since the urigins of the President's problems in office go back to the 1992 campaign. When the two meet in the White House un Friday, much will be made of their similarities - leaders in their forties trying to change their parties and to present them as new and of the centre, after long periods out of power and the political mainstream. There is the obvious risk of too much gushing about a new "special rela-tionship", a Bill and Tony equivalent of the Ronnie and Maggie show of the 1980s, but Mr Blair and Mr Clinton are far too shrewd and unsentimental to believe such nonsense.

Political conditions are very different across the Atlantic, but the leading lights in "new" Labour are close to many of Mr Clinton's advisers. They follow the policy and political debate in Washington. Their contacts have ranged from a study of campaigning techniques by Philip Gould, a key Labour media adviser who worked in Little Rock for part of the 1992 campaign, to the discussions of the policy problems of economic management and insecurity which Gordon Brown, and his adviser Ed Balls, regularly conduct with Robert Reich. Mr Clinion's Labour Secretary, and Larry Summers, the Depu-

ty Treasury Secretary.
As a diplomat in the British Engbassy in Washington, Blair's chief of staff, Jonathan Powell, monitored the Clinton campaign and arranged a visit there by Mr Blair and Mr Brown just after the inauguration. This visit and the addressing of a union-sponsored conference in Lon-



don by senior Clinton advisers led to charges that Labour was being Clintonised by the modernisers and with the new President soon running into serious problems, Mr

Blair cooled his public enthusiasm. But Blair and Brown and their adisers have been crucially influenced by the Clinton experience. At one level, they have learnt about campaign tactics - the need for rapid response and rebuttal of the other side's comments, and for adherence to a consistent and focused message. Even Labour's new centralised media headquarters in Millbank is modelled on

the Clinton campaign's war room. More important are the strategic lessons: the importance of demonstrating that the party has changed. "new" Labour as much as "new" Democras. This has involved showing that the party is in tune with the

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values and aspirations of ordinary people. The same buzzwords recur on both sides of the Atlantic opportunity. responsibility, community, partnership. Mr Blair's eatchphrase as Shadow Home Secretary - "tough on crime and tough on the causes of crime" - was directly influenced by the rethinking of Mr Clinton's advisers. This approach has also emphasised the importance of symbolic actions to highlight change. such as the rewriting of Clause Four and Gordon Brown's repeated claims that Labour will not spend and tax for its own sake.

This campaign strategy took Mr Clinton to the White House, but it contained internally contradictory policies. It aimed to boost the

economy with an investment and training stimulus, while giving working people a tax cut, raising the taxes only of the very well-off, and taking action to cut the budget deficit. Not all of this could be achieved, and in office the Clinton Administration has been forced to drop the investment stimu-lus and make a priority of deficit reduction. The resulting budget package was impressive, but Mr Clinton did not receive much credit, since he had failed to fulfil his other promises. His most serious failing was inconsistency. After being elected as a 'new" Democrat, he appeared to sprawl to the left in office, with rows over appointments and homosexuals io the military. Healthcare reform, his policy priority for his second year, went nowhere, and he surrendered

recently recovered by moving back to the centre and by sticking to a tough line on the budget with the Republican Congress.

Some of the problems of Mr Clinton's presidency stem from his personal flaws, or from Whitewater, But in so far as they do not, there are obvious lessons, which Mr Blair's team understand. First, be consistent. Gordon Brown is determined to prevent his colleagues from making spending commitments, or even hinting as commitments, which can be used by the Tories as ammunition or which carmot be implemented in office. Mr Blair's decision to ballot Labour members this autumn on the party's draft manifesto is intended not only to gain the support of the whole party for the programme, but to show that it is coherent and achievable.

abour's second lesson is to be disciplined. Mr Blair's operation is tightly and centrally run, to the irritation of many Labour MPs. The third is to have a clear plan for government. There is to danger that Mr Blair will sprawl to the left in Downing Street. But after being out of office for so long, his party must have clear priorities for legislation and action to prevent drift and to avoid being sidetracked

into irrelevant rows. The patchy record of the Clinton Administration, however, raises the question of whether there are weaknesses inherent in what the new Democrats and new Labour are trying to do, as well as in the implementation. It is all very well for Mr Blair to tell bankers and businessmen in New York that Labour has changed, that it is not trying to reverse Thatcherism, that it favours free trade, enterprise and inwast investment. But removing the fear of Labour is not the same as showing

that it can really make a difference. The Clinton Administration has not so far produced solid evidence that government can help to improve long-term economic performance by a partnership with business. Mr Clinton's new Democrats, as well as Mr Blair's new Labour, have yet to prove they can govern as successfully as they can campaign.

## African queen

Britain in July, his escort may have a faraway look in her eye. For Rochelle Mtirara, the woman most often seen by his side since his separation from Winnie Mandela. s said to be in love. A "granddaughter" of Mandela, in the sense that she is part of his extended tribal family, she is currently in the United States visiting her paramour, the South African footballer, Doctor Khunialo.

Khumalo, a hero of South Africa's recent victory in the African Nations Cup, sent Miss Mitrara an air ticket to join him in the United States two weeks ago. She is still there, staying with him while he plays football for the Columbus Crew in Ohio. The two make quite a couple.

Miss Mirara's position as Mandela's escort has made her something of a pin-up, as well as virtual royalty. Meanwhile, Khumalo's wholesome features and silky skills have made him one of South Africa's most marketable sportsmen. He can be seen frequently on television and heaming down from advertising hoardings with spoonfuls of cereal halfway to his mouth.

Miss Mirara, who plans to resume her studies in either Britain or America, after dropping out of university recently, lives in the President's mansion in Johannesburg, and in addition to accompanying Mandela at official events in South Africa, she has been on several foreign trips. The President is said to be keeping abreast of the romantic developments.

His office would say only that



President's friend: Rochelle

country "for personal reasons", and Khumalo is also keeping shtum on the matter. "I have met her on several occasions," he gurgles, "and know her from a distance."

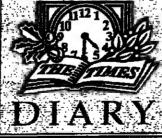
#### Odd one out

EASTER brings rumblings at The Cotholic Herald, home to some of the country's more thrusting Romans. The Editor, Cristina Odone, 36. an excitable brunette of Italian extraction who can often to be found at the centre of a fawning crowd of liver-spotted old men, is

said to be on the point of leaving. Odone, known as The Odd One. is set to take a sabbatical from the dizzying pace of the Herald very soon. She is not expected to return. Having raised the profile of her rag, she is said to want to concentrate on her sex-and-surplice novelwriting, following the modest success of her first book, The Shrine.

#### Blaired vision

WHILE Washington snoozes at the prospect of Tony Blair's visit this week, the excitement in Blair's London office is unbearable. It is not so much the issues being discussed that are causing the fuss

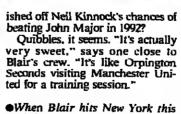


as the dribbling admiration that Blair's team are displaying for the pizza-scoffing, trainer-wearing ap-

paratchiks of the White House. As Peter Riddell explains above, Blair's tight coterie of advisers and spin-doctors closely matches the President's Staff. Both men have a penchant for youth, too. Where Blair has David Milliband, 30, and Tim Allen, 26, helping him with policy and the press respectively, Clinton has George Stephanopoulos, 34, doing both.

Blair's people are obsessed with the Clinton team." says an observ-"and with the way so many of them, like Stephanopoulos, have achieved this sort of pop star

Do they remember, however. that one of the first ideas the Clinton campaign team offered Labour was the Sheffield rally which fin-



week, he may see some of the bumperstickers currently being distri-buted by Sidney Blumenthal, a writer for The New Yorker magazine. Alongside the regular "Clin-ton/Gore in 96" stickers are others



· I've got something on Blair too – fifty quid to win

designed to irritate Bob Dole, the 72-yeor-old Republican candidate who is having trouble convincing the country that he has enough of the vital juices left in him to be President. Blumenthal's sticker reads simply: "Bob Dole is 96".

the initiative to the Republicans, who

triumphed in the mid-term elections

**Foxed** ATTENTION all hunting folk: the British Field Sports Society needs you. Robin Hanbury-Tenison, re-

cently appointed thief executive of the society, has been shocked by the apathy of his members. Last month he sent a round-robin to his 80,000 members asking for help in the campaign for country sports. Only 950 replies came back. A plea for help in recruiting new members was even less of a suc-

cess, with only 50 people bothering to reply. "That's not even 0.1 per cent," howls Hanbury-Tenison. "What are all the rest doing?" With the infiltration and neutering of the anti-hunting RSPCA on his agenda, H-T has no time to rest.

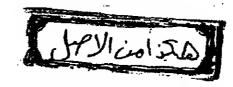
Calling all those who hunt but don't join the society "plain freeloaders", he has now harrumphed off round the country to raise support by himself.

Swimmers of the Kensington New Pools in west London are excit-



Making waves: Damon

ed obout their lotest fellow paddler: Domon Albarn, lead singer of the pop group Blur. Albarn, who can regularly be seen tousling his hair in shop windows down the Portobello Road, has set the women's changing room, ond certoin corners of the men's, alight by punishing his skinny frame with lengths in the pool. "Lots of women are not wearing their swimming caps any more," says my spy in the deep end. "They want to look their best just in case Damon swims into them."







# ENLISTING THE ALMIGHTY

Politics and piety do not mix in election campaigns

Since Tony Blair became leader, Labour has made an audacious success of claiming new converts. From the defection of the Conservative MP Alan Howarth to yesterday's report that his party is now more middle class than the Tories, Mr Blair has contrived to cast his net wider than other fishers of men. But one claim of support for new Labour may be as likely to insult as inspire.

In an otherwise thoughtful interview the Labour leader sought to sign up God for his own brand of Socialism. Mr Blair was careful to say his values rather than his policies were divinely inspired. But by seeking, however obliquely, to appropriate the Almighty's approval for his personal crusade Mr Blair is making a mistake.

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In his interview in The Sunday Telegraph Mr Blair showed himself alive to the dangers of politicians creeping into the pulpit. He claimed: "I can't stand politicians who wear God on their sleeves." After this spiritual health warning he spoke with intelligence and honesty about the importance of his faith. The British are often embarrassed by public discussion of private belief, but Mr Blair dealt delicately with the importance of Christianity in his inner life.

He faltered when he tried to justify by faith his current politics. He argued: "My view of Christian values led me to oppose what I perceive to be the narrow view of selfinterest that Conservatism - particularly in its modern, more right-wing, form - represents." He argued that it was his theology that was the "essential reason why I am on the left rather than the right." He may have protested that "I do not believe that Christians should vote only Labour". But the impression from his other comments is that Christians can hardly vote Conservative.

Mr Blair is no stranger to arrogance and never slow to demonise his enemies, although seldom so literally. He once described his critics on the left as in need of therapy. Now he seems to be arguing that his opponents on the right require salvation.

The implication of his remarks is that

sincere Christians who are Conservatives such as Brian Mawhinney, the party chairman. Ann Widdecombe, the Prisons Minister, and Peter Lilley, the Social Security Secretary, are either prepared to ignore their religious principles, or have not the character to put them into practice. Mr Blair's references to Pontius Pilate as the archetypal politician could not have been better chosen to suggest that those currently in authority are hypocritical and weak.

This is not the first time that Mr Blair has sought to enlist the Almighty. His last Labour conference speech was evangelical in tone and biblical in its rhetoric. His biographers have emphasised his churchgoing. He defended his choice of a grant-maintained school for his son on, among others, religious grounds. The depth of his beliefs does him credit. But his attempts to exploit them for political ends do not. Christian principles do not belong to any party.

If Mr Blair wishes to convert Conser vatives he should rely on the strength of his policies, not a display of his piety. There is, however, one Bible lesson the Tories should bear in mind this Easter: they should take joy in sinners who repent. Dispatch of a dossier to Republicans in the US made up of past comments by Mr Blair and his wife, alleged to show them "anti-nuclear and anti-American", is unconvincing and unattractive. Opposition politicians abroad, by convention, do not attack their country's Government. The governing party should not stoop to this kind of attack on an opposition politician when he is visiting a

friendly head of state. Mr Blair may not have fought Labour's unilateralists with the vigour of some of his colleagues but he was never a stooge of the hard Left. Many of Labours' instincts are anti-American, but he is an admirer of the country and its President Both parties would do the voters a service if they concentrated on justifying their programme for government instead of making unjustified attacks on their opponents' character.

#### AIR MAIL

The Post Office moves into the travel business

The nearest gateway to the outside world may soon be the Post Office. If an experiment in selling cheap airline tickets from one of London's biggest branch offices proves successful, flights to Majorca, Berlin, New York and beyond may be departing from a counter near you. The Post Office, like other retailers with corporate sights set on the lucrative travel business, hopes that up to 600 of its outlets will soon be competing with high street bucket shops. Privatisation may no longer be an option for the Post Office; but there are now no limits on the government agency's appetite for free market competition.

The six-month trial at the Trafalgar Square office is a logical extension of the Post Office's growing involvement in travel. It already sells traveller's cheques, travel insurance, foreign currency and handles passport application forms. The plan is to sell cut-price tickets for seats unsold on scheduled airlines; there are no proposals to offer package holidays. This would not bring the Post Office into direct competition with travel agents, which on the whole do not handle left-over seats. But airlines will benefit enormously: by definition, lastminute vacancies are not available for long, and if they are to sell they must be posted on a computer network that can reach millions of potential travellers quickly. The public, estead of having to search out backstreet shops with a fly-by-night reputation, will know where to look for bargains. The Post Office's solid reputation should dispel fears

that such deals are unreliable. There is still a risk - largely for the Post Office. Unless the plan is thoroughly rehearsed, the potential for a public relations disaster is enormous. Passengers who

bury such tickets may be the first to be bumped, should overbooking mask the real availability. The Post Office will be the first target of their ire. Post Office customers queueing to engage in such old-fashioned transactions as buying stamps or posting parcels will not restrain their patience if the head of them demands a trawi through the list of cheap flights to Bermuda. Unless this new business is clearly separated from core Post Office activities, it will bring not profit but brickbats.

Profit is already not in doubt. The Post Office is one of the great money-making branches of government. Over the next three years it will pay in £920 million to the Treasury. Turning around a loss-making industry was never the rationale for privatisation; indeed it was the success of the streamlined agency's components that roused even Conservative opposition to Michael Heseltine's plans - explained only in ideological terms — to sell its golden goose. The Post Office has already been imbued with the enterprise culture, so much so that Bill Cockburn, its former chief executive, was snatched in January by WH Smith to lend his expertise to the private sector.

Privatisation, however, would have been a signal for the Post Office, with its enviable reach into almost every British town and village, to exploit untrammelled its unique access and name recognition. Post Office Counters has not needed encouragement to go down this road. Already smaller branches are becoming all-purpose general stores. Adding new services is commercially as well as politically attractive. It lifts the horizons of this once stuffy institution well beyond the shores of Britain.

#### **MAMPRUGIPUIGINABA**

A Norfolk teacher puts on the robes of tribal office

To be anointed a tribal chief in northern Ghana is an honour as ancient and elaborate as it is colourful. Enthroned on sheepskin and woven cushions, draped in red and black robes, presented with a carved wooden stick, the recipient is blessed by elders and acclaimed by drums and ululating dancers. When such an honour is bestowed on a Norfolk schoolteacher who spends her professional life conducting sixth- form chemistry classes at Hethersett Old Hall, it is a joyful signal of an exceptional achievement by an exceptional woman. Lynne Symonds was yesterday granted a right never before given to a white woman: the title of Mamprugipuiginaba, meaning a chieftain of the Mamprusi tribe. She now has literally the power of life and death over her adopted subjects; but it is for her vital contribution to the tribe's life that she has been honoured.

Mrs Symonds has brought the priceless gift of learning to Wulugu, one of the most underdeveloped villages in northern Ghana. For the past year she has cajoled and persuaded British schools and well-wishers to raise enough money to build a well stocked library in Wulugu. Five students, as a result, have gained entrance to university. Now she is helping to build a boarding house for the 80 girl pupils. The villages have nothing with which to repay her except their

Most countries express gratitude to foreigners who establish a special rapport with their citizens or who perform the state some signal service. Churchill was an honorary American citizen, Eisenhower an honorary Londoner. George Bush and Caspar Weinberger can call themselves knights, though may not use the title; a handful of Britons can wear in their lapels the ribbon of the Légion d'honneur. For an African country, however, to admit to the ranks of its revered elders a white woman from the nation of its former colonial rulers is more exotic and more flattering. The ceremonies and the circumstances may have a touch of Rider Haggard about them; but that only adds to the frisson of the occasion.

By presenting Mrs Symonds to the Naviri. the Paramount Chief, the pupils and villagers of Wulugu have drawn international attention to what she has done. Her gifts of literature and science are, of course, keys to advancement for the impoverished. But the value lies in her personal engagement on behalf of her adopted village. Mrs Symonds is not a charity worker or a Unesco official; she is a teacher from an ordinary English village. Personal friendships bind and inspire more than any aid programme.

gratitude - and their ancestral honours.

To those who nourish such human links belong tribal honour and glory.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR I Pennington Street, London EI 9XN Telephone 0171-782 5000

## Examination of Oxford's efficiency and ability to adapt

Sir, As a British-born academic who has just resigned a chair at Cam-bridge to return to the United States, I find myself very much in agreement with the criticisms of Oxford University made by Coopers & Lybrand (report, April I), and am not convinced by the defence put up by Roger Scru-ton ("In praise of useless knowledge",

During my two years at Cambridge I have lost track of the time I have spent in committees debating such matters as whether there should be four questions or five in a particular examination paper, or shuffling pieces of paper from college office to departmental office to university office because no two of the three separate administrations are capable of talking to each other.

There is much more to "efficiency" than mere cost calculations. It is not a matter of putting quantitative re-search goals above all else, as Scruton implies, but of getting on with the job we are paid to do - which is both teaching and research. Most of my Cambridge colleagues are highly con-sciendous and effective teachers, as well as top-quality researchers, but they are held back by the system.

Even college tutorials, so beloved by Professor Scruton, have many hidden costs. It is difficult to create a new course, or to make substantial changes to an existing one, without the agreement of a large number of college tutors or supervisors. Syllabi get out of date because they are so hard to

My only surprise about the Coopers & Lybrand report is that the Vice-Chancellor of Oxford had to hire outside consultants to find our what any reasonably well-travelled academic could have told him for nothing.

Yours faithfully. RICHARD SMITH. University of Cambridge Department of Pure Mathematics and Mathematical Statistics, I6 Mill Lane, Cambridge,

From Dr Lionel Tarassenko Sir, I fail to recognise the university in which I teach and do research in your

Torode answers Levin

Sir, I was horrified by Bernard Levin's quite bizarre article ("The sins of the father", April 5) which, no doubt unin-

tentionally, gravely distorts a piece I

Mail. In it I tried to unravel the rela-

tively minor role my father played for

the Communist International, pri-

marily as a Soviet courier into Nazi

Germany in the mid-1930s, and the

pressure that may subsequently have

been imposed on him by the Soviet

As I thought my affectionate and

respectful article made clear, he was a

brave and honourable man who risk-

ed his life in the struggle against Na-

zism. He misjudged the nature of Sta-

linism at a time when many others did so. He gradually broke with the Com-

intern and with the Communist Party

of Great Britain after the Nazi-Soviet

Pact of 1939. Subsequently, as a trade

union general secretary, he was active

in the postwar purging of communists from the London Trades Council, one

of the crucial moments in the Cold

War struggle to ensure that the British trade union movement did not fall

To describe him as a "traitor" is a

grotesque travesty of my article, my beliefs - and of the evidence. And to

Far from going to my grave with my

father's brand on my heart, as Levin

writes, I will go to my grave proud to have been his son and proud of his re-

under communist control

of my father's role.

JOHN TORODE

25 Platr's Lane, SW3.

Newspaper records

Sir, I recently sought to identify an un-

dated and unnamed newspaper cut-

ting given me by an old comrade

about important actions in which the

Wessex reconnaissance regiment had

been involved during 1945, and which

I needed to identify for regimental

archives. My inquiries revealed that

of a number of West Country newspa-

pers, some — no names, no pack drill

In spite of considerable help kindly

given freely by the Gloucestershire

and Avon library services, I had no

option but to follow their advice and

search in the British Newspaper Lib-

rary at Colindale, northwest London.

Fortunately my wife and I were able to

visit successfully in one day, which

might have been impossible (or very

expensive) for someone having to trav-

Some newspaper records are not

even available at Colindale, and alter-

native sources are thus particularly

Local newspapers must be made fi-

nancially strong enough to support

the retention of their own records.

132 Park Lane, Carshalton, Surrey.

M. McEWEN CHARLISH,

valuable.

Yours faithfuly,

- had no records before 1950.

From Mr M. M. Charlish

Yours em

April 7.

From Mr John Torode

summary of the report from Coopers & Lybrand and especially in the arti-cle by Roger Scruton. I wonder bow selective the management consultants were in their interviewing.

It is not my experience that there is no stimulus for change in the curriculum". As a result of changes introduced in the last two years, the engineering science degree has a new syllabus and a new structure, the physicists have brought in a new four-year course and the university now offers brand new degrees in computation and in economics and management The degree course on which I teach is vastly different from my own undergraduate course in the same depart-

ment less than twenty years ago.
As for the Oxford which Roger Scruton describes, it is closer to the Oxford of fifty years ago than to the Oxford of today. "Scholars live side by side with their pupils," he writes, Very few dons nowadays live in college, and final-year options in the sciences are usually taught in small classes rather than tutorials.

Excellence in research, scholarship and teaching are not mutually incompatible in a modern university: indeed, it is the link between research and teaching which is often the stimu-lus for the kind of curriculum changes alluded to above,

The real question for the Vice-Chancellor's commission of inquiry is how best to enhance our ability to carry out world-class research whilst maintaining our traditional strengths, in teaching for example.

This goal, I believe, is attainable provided that we allow faculties enough independence to resolve the problem in a way which is optimal for their discipline.

Yours faithfully, L. TARASSENKO. University of Oxford, Department of Engineering Science, Parks Road, Oxford. April 2

From Mr Tim Dyson

Sir, Roger Scruton is so brilliantly right: after four "useless" years (1958-62) reading Greats at Balliol, I have

Cairngorm funicular

Sir, The letter from Sir Chris Boning-

that the Secretary of State for Scotland

should intervene in the planning for

the proposed Cairngorm funicular

The funicular will be a straightfor-

ward, albeit much improved, replace-

ment for our obsolete 36-year-old

chairlift system. It will not go to the summit, as suggested, but duplicate

the chairlift route, ending at the exist-ing top station at 3,600ft, 464ft below

Facilities in the Ptarmigan building

at the top station no longer adequately

serve our winter market. The new building is larger but is sited half a mile horizontally from the plateau.

It will offer an effective system for

visitor management and for the first time protect the summit and plateau

area from wandering feet by ensuring

that non-skiing visitors out of season

The company is actively pursuing a sensitive and sustainable develop-

ment programme consistent both

with the preservation of our superb

are contained within the ski area.

the summit of Cairn Gorm.

From the Chief Executive of the Cairngorm Chairlift Company

ton and others (March 27) sugge

railway contains an inaccuracy.

had a successful commercial career in international advertising, living and working throughout Europe, the Middle East and China, learning the different Japanese and college. ferent languages and cultures — thanks to my "useless" rutorial education in Latin, Greek and ancient philo-

sophy.

If a bunch of purblind accountants takes over the Oxford system, I shall have my degree.

Yours sincerely. TIM DYSON, Tim Dyson Associates. 2 Investment House, Queen's Road, Weybridge, Surrey. April 2.

From Mr Adam Shapiro and Mr Stephen Royle

Sir. The purpose of the Coopers & Lybrand inquiry was to show how the best of Oxford — scholarship and the perpetuation of knowledge for its own sake - could be preserved and strengthened against ravages of oursiders. These ravages include government cuts when student numbers are rising, new funding formulae and worldwide competition for the best staff and students.

The report did not come out against the college system. Nor did it come out against the tutorial system, observing it to be the "Rolls-Royce" of teaching methods.

These were not in its remit for consideration. It considered the governance of the university and made recommendations concerning how power may best be exercised by those academics most directly affected.

Oxford has survived since the 13th century by recognising that when things are wrong, they should be put right. Antiquity of abuse is no excuse for its continuance.

Yours faithfully. ADAM SHAPIRO (President, Oxford University Student Council), STEPHEN ROYLE Junior member, Hebdomadal Council), Oxford University Student Union, 28 Little Clarendon Street, Oxford. April 2.

environment and the needs and aspirations of our local communities.

Yours sincerely. TIM WHITTOME, Chief Executive, Cairngorm Chairlift Company. April 6.

From Mr lan J. Wade

Sir, I realise that I enter the lion's den when I take issue with the eminent list of presidents of the Alpine Club. However, to someone like me who knows the Cairngorm area well, their assertion that "this proposal would do irre-versible damage to one of Europe's most important wild areas, both in landscape and nature-conservation terms", seems way over the top when the building of the railway would affect perhaps no more than I per cent of the vast Cairngorm area.

More relevant is the fact that, in a recent poll, the vast majority of the local populace, in an area where job prospects are very bleak, expressed themselves in favour of the project.

Yours etc. IAN J. WADE. 32 Belmont Road

#### Polish march past

draw parallels between my position and that of the children of Germans who gassed Jews is stupid, offensive From Mr Michael George Olizar and inaccurate. It is equally offensive and inaccurate to suggest that I might have considered suicide on discovery

Sir. The finer points of military drill are probably as difficult to judge as steps in ballroom dancing. It is therefore, perhaps, understandable that Alan Hamilton (report, March 26) should have confused the march of the Polish guard of honour before the Queen in Warsaw, with the Russian

goose step.

The Polish step is indigenous and smoother and there would be no reasonable autopote. son for it, as Mr Hamilton suggests, to be abolished if Poland ever joins Nato

Earlier British journalists have made a similar mistake. When in 1940, in Scotland, Polish units marched past King George VI and Queen Elizabeth it was suggested that their step was akin to the German goose step and would have to be changed.

Yours sincerely, MICHAEL GEORGE OLIZAR 18 Hazlewell Road, Putney, SW15.

#### Hector the Inspector From Mr Charles P. F. Baillie

Sir, The Head of Communications, Inland Revenue, informs us (letter, March 30) that the "several bundred key frontline staff" who were given a "special preview" of the Revenue's latest advertising campaign gave "a spontaneous round of applause". Could they not have been better employed?

Yours faithfully, C. P. F. BAILLIE. 3 West End Farm, Locking. Weston-super-Mare, Somerset. April I.

Letters should carry a daytime telephone number. They may be faxed to 0171-782-5046.

Harrow, Middlesex. March 27.

#### Lottery awards

From Mr Jez Hall

Sir, A revision of the rules for the distribution of lottery awards to encompass grants to talented sports and arts students is to be welcomed (report, April 2), but why should sports and the arts be singled out? Unlike when I was a student in the

early Seventies, students of all academic disciplines are now forced by the system to take out loans.

Why are we not using lottery funds to restore the grant system to all those with talent be they future doctors, teachers, or even Secretaries of State for Heritage?

Yours faithfully, JEZ HALL 42 Newacres, Newburgh, Wigan, Greater Manchester.

#### In the chair

From Mr F. J. Mellor

Sir, I believe that the most effective debunking of the monstrous verbal circumlocutions perpetrated in the name of political correctness (letters, March 23, 27, 30, April I) may lie with the Tory opposition leader of an inner London borough where the newly elected Labour council, drunk with success and crusading zeal, is said to have spent 12 hours debating whether to use the term "chairman/ woman", "chairperson" or "chair".

At the conclusion of the debate they decided on "chair", whereupon the opposition leader rose and said: \*Chair, may I introduce myself to the new members? I am the opposition spoke."

Yours etc. F. J. MELLOR. 16 Newhouse Crescent, Rochdale, Lancashire.

#### Property laws on island of Sark

From Sir Peter Miller

Sir. Lord McAlpine's article, "The strange goings-on in Sark" (April 4), is

itself somewhat strange. For a member of the House of Lords to criticise another parliament for pomp and ceremony ... quaint traditions" and lack of democracy is a bit rich. Moreover, the article is flawed

by errors and omissions. Lord McAlpine does not mention the 12 People's Depudes who are elected to the Chief Pleas. While divorce is not possible on the island, Sark recognises divorces effected elsewhere. The policeman (or Constable) is elected by Chief Pleas, not by the Seigneur. Our lay magistrate has as much common

sense as an English lay magistrate. A lot is expected of the Seigneur as the island's chief representative. He receives no remuneration for his du-ties, beyond a feudal tax of derisory proportions; this is the justification for the treizième tax when property chan-

ges hands. The inheritance laws of Sark are certainly complicated and may well be worthy of debate. However, it is possible to transfer property between the generations in accordance with the wishes of the owner, although it may involve a tax of 7.7 per cent. Is this too high an inheritance tax in an island which has no income tax?

The Sark system, of which the noble lord is so critical, works well. The island's civil service is cost effective; there is no "national debr". While there certainly are serious problems (cost of teenage education and of care of the elderly) I wonder if the interests of affluent outsiders (in which category I include myself, however low on the scale) should have a high priority for attention?

Yours faithfully, PETER MILLER (Member of Chief Pleas). La Ville Roussel, Sark, Channel Islands. April 6.

From Mr Bruce Parker

Sir, Lord McAlpine's assessment of the legal battle between the Barclay brothers and Michael Beaumont, the Seigneur of Sark, raises important questions.

Sark does, indeed, have its own parliament, the Chief Pleas. In reality, however, it forms part of the Guernsey Bailiwick where Sark laws are Court or rejected, subject to appeal to the Privy Council.

Lord McAlpine suggests that the case between the Barclays and Mr Beaumont will move "from court to court until such time as it reaches the European Court of Human Rights in Strasbourg".

If he is right I wonder how soon before

other challenges might come before the European court, notably concerning the complicated laws in both Guernsey and Jersey which control the numbers of non-islanders wishing to take up residence and work there. Yours faithfully,

BRUCE PARKER 58 Canon Street. Winchester, Hampshire. April 4.

#### Storm over cuppa

From Mrs S. E. Elks

Sir, Anyone born and bred in Devon knows that scones (letter, March 30) should be split whilst still warm from the oven, thickly coated with clotted cream and crowned with home-made raspberry jam. Cream with treacle atop delights in the title "Thunder and lightning". Butter has no role to play

Yours faithfully, SUSAN ELKS. 17 Manton Hollow. Marlborough, Wiltshire.

#### Hymns for occasions From Mrs Lorna Bovce

Sir, Our daughter, a slightly appre-hensive traveller, insists that we play the hymn Eternal Father, strong to save, whenever she crosses the Chan-

nel by ferry. We wondered what we should play when she flew to Germany recently and eventually selected He who would valiant be 'Gainst all disaster reinforced by All my hope on God is founded '

Is there a more appropriate hymn and also one which would be suitable for the Channel Tunnel, should she

brave its perils in the future? Yours sincerely LORNA BOYČE

Offa's Dyke, 7 Brynawel, Bridgend, Mid Glamorgan.

#### Aptly named

From Mr Christopher Barrass and Mr Tim Towle

Sir, Far from protecting human rights, therefore," (letter, April 3), Baroness Turner's Sexual Orientation Discrimination Bill would diminish them." SOD's law?

Yours etc. CHRISTOPHER BARRASS, TIM TOWLE, Corporate Communications, Brackendene House, Oak Grange Road, Guildford, Surrey.



#### **COURT CIRCULAR**

YORK HOUSE, St JAMES'S PALACE April 6: The Duchess of Kent, as Guest of Honour, this afternoon attended the Oxford and Cambridge University Boat Race, commencing at the Embankment, Putney, London SWI5.

#### Today's royal engagements

The Prince of Wales will be briefed on repairs to the Forth Bridge at the viewing area adjacent to the North Cantilever. North Queensferry, at 10.20; as President of the Prince's Trust, will visit The Kirkcaldy Foyer, Bridge Street, Kirkcaldy, at 11.10; as President of Scottish Business in the Community, will visit the Tryst Community Centre Abbeyview Estate, Dunfermline, at 12.30; and will visit Culross at 2.00.

#### Birthdays

Mr Tony Banks, MP. 53; Mr Hywel Bennett, actor, 52; Mr Mark Blundell, racing driver. 30; Sir Andrew Bowden. MP. 66: General Sir Anthony Farrar-Hockley, 72; Lord Grantchester, 45; Mr J.P. Kavanagh, racehorse trainer. 53; Mr Harold Lightman, QC. 90: Air Commandant Dame Alice Lowrey, former matron-in-chief, PMRAFNS, 91; Mrs Mary Moore, former Principal. St Hilda's College, Oxford, 66; Mr W. Garth Morrison, Chief Scout, 53: Mr Peter Rogers, chief executive, ITC, 55: Mr lan Smith, former Prime Minister of Rhodesia, 77: Mr Alec Stewart, cricketer, 33; Sir Thomas Thomson, former chairman, Greater Glasgow Health Board, 73; Miss Dorothy Tutin, actress, 65; Miss Vivienne Westwood, fashion designer, 55.

#### Church of Scotland

Appointments Ordinations and inductions The Rev Neil Gow to Blair Atholl

The Rev David Pitkethly to St Andrew's, Peierhead. The Rev Andrew J Philip to SI Enoch's, Hogganfield, Glasgow, The Rev Pauline Steenbergen to St Luke's and Queen Street, Broughty

Ordination and Introduction The Rev Elizabeth J B Ross to part-time assistant Jubilee Community at Holburn West Church. Inductions

The Rev Adrian J T Rennle to Drylaw, Edinburgh. The Rev Trevor Williams Peter's, Peterculter, Aberdeen, Translations

The Rev J Christopher Ledgard from Boyndie with Ordiquhill & Cornhill to Upper Donside.

#### University news

Queen College

Appoin Chair of Molecular Biology: Dr C P Lichtenstein, Lecturer in Genetic Engineering, Imperial College. Chair of Linguistics: Professor Jennifer Cheshire, Universities of Fribourg and Neuchatel.

Chair of Inorganic Chemistry: Dr A Vicek. Institute of Physical Chemistry, Prague. The otle of Professor of Modern History in the University of London has been conferred on Dr ohn A Ramsden, hitherto Reade in Modern History.

Readerships Reader in Computer Science: Dr Victoria Stavridou, Royal Holloway College, University of

Reader in Computing Science: Dr P W O'Hearn, Syracuse Univer-sity, New York.

The title of Reader has been conferred on the following: Dr R K Tavakol (Senior Lecturer in Astronomy), Mathemaocs and

Dr M J Thompson (Lecturer in Astronomy), Mathematics and St Bartholomew's and the Royal London School of Medicine and

Dentistry Chair of General Practice: Dr Yvonne H Carter, Senior Lecturer in Department of General Practice, University of Birmingham.

The following University of London titles have been conferred: Dr M A Armstrong-James (Reader in Neurophysiology), Professor of Neurophysiology Dr J W Coid (Senior Lecturer in

Forensic Psychiatry), Professor of Forensic Psychiatry Mr L Doyal (Reader in Medical Ethics). Professor of Medical Ethics

Dr Richard lles (Reader in the Biochemistry of Medical Dis-orders), Professor of the Biochemistry of Metabolic Disorders. Faculty of Clinical Medicine Dr I R Phillips (Reader In Molecular Biologyl. Professor of Molecu-Dr R H Reznek (Senior Lecturer in Diagnostic Radiology), Professor

of Medical Imaging Dr Mary Sugden (Reader in Biochemistry). Professor of Cellu-

lar Biochemistry Dr B W Wren (Senior Lecturer in Medical Mlcroblologyl, Reader in

Ms Claire Barnes, formerly Head of Human Resources at Middlesex University, has been appointed Director of Personnel.



Zara Phillips, daughter of the Princess Royal, leaving the Deanery yesterday ahead of Prince William and Captain Timothy Laurence after the Royal Family had attended the Easter Day service at St George's Chapel, Windsor

## marriages

Mr M.G. Fiennes and Miss P. Kang Chai Lian The engagement is announced between Martin, second son of Lord and Lady Saye and Sele, of Broughton Casile, Ban-bury, and Pauline, daughter of Mr and Mrs Kang Tiong Lam, of 10 Sommerville Walk. Singapore.

#### Marriages

Sir John Ropner, Bt. and Mrs N. Tippett The marriage took place on Saturday, April 6, in Northal-lerton, North Yorkshire, of Sir John Ropner, Bt, to Mrs Niki

Tippett.
The bride was given in marriage by her son. Mr Gavin Mayhew. Mr Henry Ropner was best man.

Mr J.P. Knight and the Hon Helena M. Renfrew The marriage took place on Saturday in Jesus College Chapel, Cambridge, of Mr Jonathan Knight, elder son of Mr Philip Knight, of Otford, Kent, and of Mrs Hilary Howlett, of Blackheath, London, to the Hon Helena Renfrew, daughter of Lord and Lady Renfrew of Kaimsthorn, of Jesus College. The Rev Dr T. Jenkins and the Right Rev R. Hare officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Ruth Knight, Rachel Nicholson, Fergus Knight, Philip Nicholson and Miss Francesca Lepper. Mr Andrew Lownie was best man.

A reception was held at Jesus College and the honey-moon will be be spent in Italy, Guatemala and Mexico.

#### Latest wills

Mr Arthur Sidney Martin, of Alvescot, Oxfordshire, a member of the Security Service 1946-64 and an officer with the Secret Intelli-gence Service 1964-69, left estate valued at £437,916 net. Mary Kathleen Frost, of Cam-

bridge, left estate valued at 172.569 net.
She left all of her estate equally between the Imperial Cancer Research Fund. British Red Cross Society and National Ubrary for the

Joan Mary Bosdet, of Thame, Oxfordshire, left estate valued at £357,805 net. She left her entire estate to the Carers' Association, Clerkenwell, London.

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J Sayer to RNC Greenwich, 1.4.96; A G H Underwood to staff of 2SL CNH, 29.11.96. CHAPLAIN: J T Beadle to Portsmouth, 7.5.96; T M Burns to Andover, 1.4.96; B K Hammett to Andover, 1.4.96; R S Wort to Sultan, 19.4.96.

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#### The Army

MAJOR GENERAL: Brig W R Short QHP to be Director General Army Medical Service as Major General, 9.4.96. BRIGADIER: J H Griffin to HQ Land, 9.4.96; J T Holmes OBE to Shape, 8.4.96; M J Ratcliffe to Surgeon General, 1.4.96; R Rook OBE to MOD.

12.4.96. COLONEL: DR Jeffery to HQ Land, 9.4.96; J S Kerr MBE to MOD, 8.4.96; L P Lillywhite MBE to HQ Land 9.4.96; P T C Pearson to JHQIT, 9.4.96; J M Bowles MBE to be Director DTMX, 9,4.96, LIEUTENANT COLONEL: R

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## Nature notes

THE first swallows are back from South Africa. They are light, elegant flyers, bypassing each other over rivers and lakes in pursuit of flying insects. Some house-martins have also been seen, but most of them will arrive towards the end of the month. Their numbers were down in the last two years, and many householders are hoping they will return to build under their eaves again this year. Chiffchaffs have now arrived in most parts of Britain and are singing their clinking song high in the woods.

White-spotted bluethroats have been reported on the East Coast, and one was blown by the east winds into Hertfordshire at the weekend. They are sprightly, robin-like birds with a blue breast and a white patch in the centre of it. A few



appear on the trees. On ash trees there are purple clusters of flowers around the black leaf-buds. The long catkins on aspen trees are already crumbling. The first queen bumblebees are out, buzzing along the hedgerows: they were fertilised when they were young last autumn. DJM

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# Chiffchaff: clinking song

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so, painter, Mougins, France, 1973; Omar Nelson Bradley. American army general, New Isambard Kingdom Brunel's steamship Great Western sailed from Bristol on her

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**Anniversaries** 

BIRTHS: John Loudon, horti-

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Strathelyde, 1783; Dionysius

Solomos, poet, Zante, Greece,

1798; Sir Arthur Streeton, Aus-

tralian painter, Victoria, 1867;

Harvey Cushing, neurosur-geon, Cleveland, Ohio, 1869;

Albert I, King of the Belgians

Adrian Boult, conductor,

Chester, 1889; Mary Picklord.

silent film star, Toronto, 1893;

Sonja Henie, world skating

champion and film actress,

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Toledo, 1614; Karl von Hum-

boldt, philosopher and

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Oslo, 1912.

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The League of Nations held its final meeting, 1946.

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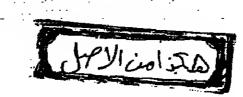
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**OBITUARIES** 

Greer Garson, actress, died on April 6 aged 92. She was born on September 29, 1903.

GREER GARSON was one of Holly-wood's most bankable women stars during the Second World War. She was not a stunning beauty, but a proud, intelligent-looking actress who arrived in Hollywood at exactly the right time. The previous genera-tion of Hollywood queens — Greta Garbo, for instance - had just passed their peaks and audiences were beginning to tire of seeing them.

More than any other actress of her generation, it was Garson's fate to be remembered for her role in one film, the morale raising Mrs Miniver (1942) — a film which is credited with having emotionally conditioned the American public to the necessity of war. Mrs Miniver was made in 1942. when America was still overcoming the shock of Pearl Harbor. As the title suggests it was a woman's film, the focus of the narrative being placed squarely on the shoulders of the eponymous heroine played Garson.

It was set in an England which had never existed, a chocolate box world of rose strewn villages, landed gentry and old family retainers. Unlike which war films of that year, which stressed how much ordinary people were contributing to the war effort. Mrs Miniver was shameless in the emphasis it placed on the fortifude of the middle classes. Mrs Miniver is the sort of woman who, when confronted with the awful possibility of invasion, goes out and buys a new hat. Despite all this, British audiences seemed to like the film as much as the Americans

Mrs Miniver was only one of a series of wifely roles for Garson. She liked to say that MGM stood, in her case, for "Metro's Glorious Mrs". She played lender wives, understanding wives, stoic wives and militant wives. She was undoubtedly striking, with pale skin, Titian hair, blue-green eyes, a haughty nose and a firm chin. But she was never allowed to be too alluring, and her feminine figure was habitually restricted beneath bustles, corsets and all the paraphernalia of costume drama. For this reason, some critics thought she was just a little too poised; elegant and stuffily respect-

This was unfair, because Garson had taken on a fairly wide range of roles, particularly in youth. Some of the blame for her diminishing populority after the war must be laid livinly at the door of her studio. MGM, which provided her with some extremely poor vehicles after the success of Mrs Miniver.

Greer Garson was born in Co Down, Northern Ireland, the daughter of a businessman; and like many actresses of her generation shrouded the year of her birth in mystery. She. came from Scottish stock, being a descendant of Rob Roy MacGregor. but her ancestors had emigrated to freland (Greer was a corruption of the clan name).

She acted in her first piece of premeditated entertainment - a medieval brie-à-brac about princesses and dragons - at the age of four, and seized every opportunity to act thereafter. Her grandmother remarked that she would rather see a granddaughter of hers dead than Coward had jokingly threatened her

GREER GARSON



Greer Garson with Walter Pidgeon in Mrs Miniver. 1942

"kicking her legs on a stage" for a profession, and for a while it seemed that Garson's blue-stocking tendencies might yet see her onto a more respectable career path as a teacher. She won a scholarship to the University of London, and later studied at

Grenoble. It was during a day studying in the British Museum, where she was meant to be immersed in French literature, that Garson - watching the bent backs of the old museum servants - revolted. She decided to give up her studies, and to set herself up as a freelance writer instead. She joined an advertising firm and worked, very lucratively for a while, as a research executive. But this was taking her further away again from the theatre.

Once more she impulsively decided on a change of career, and auditioned for the Birmingham Repertory Theatre. Her first role was Shirley Kaplan in Street Scene. Then followed a chance meeting at the University Women's Club in London with the playwright Sylvia Thomp-42 KINCI leading part in Thompson's The Golden Arrow (1935). Six plays in London, all very well-received, followed over the next two years. George Bernard Shaw was sufficiently impressed to describe her, at this stage, as the natural successor to Ellen Terry.

During the last of these plays, Old Music (1937). Garson was being watched from the audience by an enthusiastic Louis B. Mayer, and he, impressed by her beauty and poise, offered her a year's contract with MGM. She agreed, despite the fact that she had already turned down British film offers and that Noël

with physical violence should she ever desert the stage for the screen. "Money has a quiet charm," she reflected when she had reached the shores of America.

The attractions of a steady pay cheque may have enticed her there but to begin with at least, MGM offered her little in the way of a decent part. In time-honoured studio fashion, they spent their first year sizing up their new property, and vainly searching for a vehicle. Garson took screen tests for some illfated pictures, but was so bored and homesick that she was planning to return when her first contract was

With good timing, MGM then offered her a chance to play in Goodbye Mr Chips (1939) which was to be filmed in England, and though she was worried that the part was a mousy one - that of Mr Chips's saintly wife who dies twenty minutes into the film - she quickly agreed. Sentimental and quaint as it may now seem, the film was a huge commercial success at the time. n Greene whole picture bears a glow of popularity like the face of a successful candidate on election day. And it is wrong to despise popularity in the cinema." Mr Chips brought Garson a nomination in the Oscars (the first of seven), and made her a much hotter property in the eyes of casting agents when she returned to Holly-

wood. Garson then appeared in a witless comedy called Remember? ("Let's not," she said afterwards), before being cast as Elizabeth Bennett in Aldous Huxley's screen version of Pride and Prejudice (1940). It was not the most sensible piece of casting: Garson was pleased to have the

opportunity to show that her reputation in London as a comedian was not unfounded, and she did not display much subflety. But again, it was an animated, bouncing film, and it helped to confirm her growing

stature in Hollywood. There followed Blossoms in the Dust (1941, her first film opposite Walter Pidgeon) with Garson playing Mrs Edna Gladney, founder of a state orphanage, and campaigner to remove the srigma of illeginmacy from children born out of wedlock. This was a shameless tear-jerker, which distorted the facts into a neat star vehicle, but which women who were making up a growing percentage of Garson's following flocked to see. To her credit, Garson

never thought much of it. With America still wavering be-tween isolationism and intervention in the war, production on Mrs Miniver got under way, with Garson again playing opposite Pidgeon. Other actresses had already blanched at the idea of playing a wife and mother with grown-up children and had Garson, nowever. though she looked too young to have a son in the RAF, accepted and was proved right. By the time the film was released. America had joined the war and Mrs Miniver was thus shown at just the right moment, being seen to symbolise not only British but American sacrifice. It scooped a string of Oscars at that year's awards ceremony, including ooe for Garson as best actress.

The success of the film encouraged MGM to work on more British-atwar films. Of these Rondom Harvest (1942), with Ronald Colman, kept the propaganda to a minimum, but again had Garson playing the noble. faithful wife. She was becoming

worried about typecasting, but the film did at least afford her the chance to defy her grandmother, by appearing in a kilt and showing that she also had excellent legs. Mrs Parkington (1944), about a lady's maid who comes into money, was less convincing.

With the ending of the war, Garson's popularity started to suf-lered a slow but irretrievable decline. She made a film with Clark Gable. who was newly-released from service, called Adventure, about a romance between a librarian and a sailor: "Gable's back and Garson's got him," enthused the headlines. But the film did not live up to the hype, and was a flop at the box office. So was Desire Me (1947), which proved to be such a disaster that George Cukor, who had directed, refused to put his name to it. That Forsyte Womon (1949) marked a return to form, with Garson again in Edwardian costume, starring opposite Errol Flynn in the Galsworthy adaptation. But The Miniver Story [1950], in which she played opposite Walter Pidgeon for the sixth time, was an illadvised sequel.

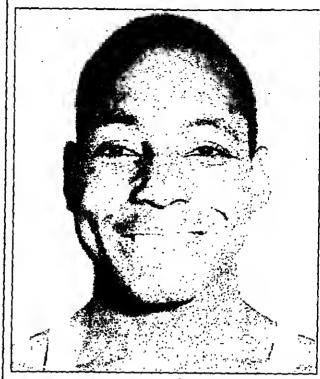
Garson — apart from reaching a difficult age for an actress — had also in 1949 married her third and last husband, "Buddy" Fogelson, Fogelson was a Texan oil millionaire and philanthropist, and Garson now had no need to work. She resented with him in Dallas and turned her mind to raising cartle, breeding horses, gardening and fishing. She also supported the local performing arts and produced the occasional play. She had an office in midtown Dallas where she checked in almost

She could now afford to accept scripts only when she wanted to, and in this semi-retired state she spent the rest of her life. Dissatisfied with the way MGM had been handling her career, she was released from her contract in 1954. She took over from Rosalind Russell in the Broadway production of Auntie Mame in 1957, a feisty part which she enjoyed. She received another Oscar nomination for her part in Sunrise of Compobello (1960), about the early life of Franklin Roosevelt, and in 1967 showed that she still had the old sparkle in Walt Disney's The Hoppiest Millionaire. But in the 1970s she appeared only in television films and the occasional series.

Because of that one intense moment of wartime popularity, however. Garson's reputation among the cinematically literate remained remarkably well preserved. New generations saw Mrs Minner on the television. Some older fans addressed neur letters to her simply as "Mrs Miniver, America". People still stopped her on the street and called her by that name. In recognition of her role in the war, she was

appointed an honorary CBE in 1993. Greer Garson was married three times, the first time to Edward Snelson, a British civil servant. That marriage ended in divorce, Her second marriage was to Richard Ney, who had played her son in Mrs Miniver (the two met on set). That marriage too ended in divorce. Her third marriage lasted almost lorty years, her husband, Buddy Fogelson, predeceasing her in 1987. She is survived by her stepson from that

#### **BARNEY EWELL**



Barney Ewell, Olympic sprinter, died in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, pp April 4 aged 78. He was born there no February 25, 1918.

A WIRY, leanly-muscled figure who sprang like a greyhound from the traps at the crack of the starter's gun. Barney Ewell was one of the world's most renowned sprinters during the years immediately before and after the Second World War. In his prime he set American and world records over 50 yards. 60 yards and 100 metres -- the last clocked in 10.2 seconds and in the 1948 Olympics, the austerity games" staged in London, he took one gold and two silver medals, coming within a flash of sweeping

three golds. Norward H. Ewell, always known by his nickname Barney, showed athletic prowess at an early age. However, he was one of that unfortunate generation of athletes to reach their prime during the years of the Second World War when, with Europe riven by conflict. the Olympic Games could not be staged. In the three years from 1940 to 1943, when he was a student at Penn State University, he won an amazing 12 gold medals at collegiate meets, and a further [] gold medals in Amaieur Athletic Union national evenis. But when in the normal course of events he would have been thinking of turning professional, he was serving in the United States Army instead.

On demobilisation he completed his university degree, keeping up his physical training all the while, and in 1948. although at the age of 30 he was considered well past his athletic best, he equalled the 100-metre world record of 10.2 seconds in the final of the United States Olympic trials.

Ewell took one gold and two silver medals in the London Olympics, although aher one of the races his American exuberance won him some disapproval from his reserved English hosts, in the final of the 100 meters he dashed across the line neck-and-neck with his fellow American Harrison Dillard. Believing that he had crossed first, Ewell raised his arms above his head and cavorted down the track. "It was not the done thing," said Sir Arthur Gold. one of the British coaches. "You were expected to stand still, catch your breath and shake your rival's hand." However, when the photofinish was examined and Dillard was found, in fact, to have won, Ewell showed a generosity of spirit for which he had always been renowned, going over to his rival to shake his hand and congratulate hlm whole

heartedly. When he did win gold, as part of the 400 meter relay team, the race was also tinged with controversy. The US team finished six yards ahead of the British team, but were disqualified when a judge ruled that the first pass between Ewell and one of his ream mates took place beyond the legal zone. It was only three days after the medal ceremony that an appeals jury, having viewed films of the race, rescinded the disqualification.

In later years, Ewell returned to live in his birthplace where he was treated as a local hero. However, tragically for someone who had earned his fame as a runner, both of his legs had to be partially amputated. It was from complications arising from this that he died.

Barney Ewell is survived by his wife Duella, and by their three sons and a daughter.

#### GORDON CLOUGH



Gordon Clough, radio journalist, died after a long illness on April 6 aged 61. He was born on August 26, 1934.

A VETERAN anchorman of British radio, Gordon Clough was gifted with the broadcaster's art of turning a conversation into an essay. His full, deep voice combined with an understated yet penetrating intellect and a feeling command of the English language to make him one of the most respected voices in radio journalism. He had the talent, it was said, to make listeners

actually listen. Over the course of a long career dedicated to the BBC Clough interviewed all the major players on the world scene, many of them well before they came to positions of great prominence — James Callaghan and Margaret Thancher included. For more than 25 years he was a regular

One, the flagship of BBC radio news, as well as the World This Weekend and the PM programme.
His special area of interest,

however, and the one in which he was an acknowledged master, was the Soviet Union. In the days when Moscow was still seen as a brooding presence, threatening the stability of the West, Clough demystified its complexines to his listeners. Many of his programmes will be remembered as classics of their era. His 1987 File on 4 series. A

Revolution Without Shots, was perhaps the most vivid report made at the time on the new glasnost in the Soviet Union. It provided obligatory listening, its first-hand interviews clearing a window onto the changing face of Soviet Russia. The Indissoluble Union made in 1989 won a Sony Award as the best documentary feature on current affairs, and later series such as presenter of The World At Death of a Superpower (1991)

and Ashes of Empire (1991) were worthy successors to this. Clough also won a Sony Award in 1984 for his work as a presenter on The World This Weekend, voted the best cur-

rent affairs programme. Arthur Gordon Clough was born in Salford, Lancashire, and educated locally at Bolton School from which he won a scholarship to Magdalen College, Oxford, where he read French and Russian. After two years in the Navy he joined the BBC in 1958. He hoped, initially, to be a drama producer, but started working as a studio manager for the BBC External Services. In 1960 he joined the Russian Service, first as proeramme assistant but from 1963 onwards as programme organiser. He was untruly branded as the man behind the BBC spy network. In 1968 he moved to Radio News Features as senior duty editor before becoming a freelance presenter in 1973.

The World at One was first

broadcast in 1965 as a lively current affairs programme, replacing the previous ragbag of news repeats sharper, more popular and less reverent commentary. Andrew Boyle and the tough former Editor of the Daily Mail William Hardcastle

were brought in as presenters. They found a desert and created an orchard," commented one distinguished journalist. And it was into this fertile environment that Clough came, "chucked in at the deep end" as he put it, on a day that Hardcastle was ill. His first programme was pre-sented on May 1, 1967 — the 50th anniversary of the Russian Revolution. His full deep voice, belying

a short stocky stature, soon became one of the most popular in radio journalism. An adroit interviewer, he was less cocky than is fashionable among some current presenters, less concerned to voice a contrary argument. Yet never deferential or sycophantic, his acute questions and sardonic sense of humour went straight

to the point. As well as presenting The World of One, The World This Weekend and PM Clough could be heard on Europhile and Twenty Four Hours broadcast over the BBC World Service. On a lighter, yet no less erudite, note he was the quesconmaster of Round Britoin Quiz, a programme which he himself described as an "island of self-indulgent academic mayhem in the sea of lugh moral purpose which is Radio 4". Where else could you learn, it was once asked, that the man who designed fridges, refused the presidency of the state of Israel, described himself as an artist's model and was once offered a guaranteed three-week booking at the Palladium was none other than Albert Einstein"? The programme became a nat-

ional monument, its format

preserved in aspic. Clough

also presented Round Europe Quiz and Transatlantic Quiz. But gradually a prolonged illness took its toll on Clough. His voice was robbed of its earlier clarity and in his last interviews he audibly fought for breath. In April 1994 he submitted his last report for Europhile, and the BBC let go

one its best-loved voices. Outside his radio career Clough translated several books into English: five from the Russian, including the dissident Alexandr Zinoviev's epic saore on Soviet bureau-cracy The Yowning Heights (1979); and three from the French.

In retirement he continued to do the crosswords which he had always enjoyed, but had previously had linle time to do except during editorial conferences. Gordon Clough married Carolyn Stafford in 1959. The marriage was dissolved in 1991. He is survived by his former wife and by their son and three daughters.

## Church news

#### Church in Wales Diocese of Bangor

The Rev Mudalame Brady to be shop's Officer for Co-ordinating the Lay Ministry, Diocesan Press Officer and Assistant Curate, Ru-

rai Deanery of Arllechwedd.

The Rev Dr Graham Loveluck, Diocesan Director of Education: Stipendiary Curate, Llaneugrad and Llanaligo w Penrhosiligwy w Landbangel Trey Beirdd. The Rev Emyr Owen, Stipendiary Cuis e. Llanbeblig (Caernarion); Stipendiary Curate, Llanberis w

Llanrug. Appoi

The Rev Brooke Kingsmill-Lum, Vicar, Holy Trinity, Stroud Green (London): to be also a Prehendary of St Paul's Cathedral. The Rev David Lawrence March.

Chaplain Bearwood College,

Wokingham (Oxford): to be Rector, Holt w High Kelling (Norwich). The Rev Dr Robert Love, Priest-incharge, St Elisabeth, Beconcree: 10 be Vicar, St John and St Matthew, South Hornchurch (Chelmsford).

The Rev Michael McGowan, Vicar, Christ Church, Barnet (London): to be also a Prebendary of St Paul's Cathedral.

The Rev David Nash, Vicar, St Paul's, Winchmore Hill (London): to be also a Prebendary of St Paul's Cathedral. The Rev Richard Newton, Curate Dorking w Ranmore (Guildford):

to be Priest-in-charge, Hagley (Worcester). The Rev Graham Paddick, Priestin-charge. St Paul, Thornton Heath (Southwark): to be Vicar of

that parish. The Rev Ian Robson, Vicar, St Mary Abhots, Kensington High Street, w St George Campden Hill (London): to be also a Prebendary of St Paul's Cathedral.

The Rev Clare Pipe-Wolferstan. Honorary Curate, St Mary Redcliffe w Temple, Bristol and St John the Baptist, Bedminster, to be Honorary Curate, East Bristol

The Rev Stephen Radley, Priest-incharge, St Aidan's, Chilton: to be Priest-in-charge, Marley Hill and Education Training Officer for the deaneries of Gateshead and Gateshead West (Durham).

The Rev Penny Rose Casemore, Assistant Curate, St Mary and St John, Balham and Holy Trinity. Upper Tooting: to be Team Vicar, Christ Church, Clapham Southwark). The Rev David Senior, Rector, St.

Martin, Desford (Leitester): to be Priesr-in-charge. The Ascension, Hall Green (Blumingham). The Rev Ursula Shone, Science Adviser in the diocese of Liverpool, and Curate, St John, Amsdale: to be Curate, St David, Childwall and continue as Diocesan Science

The Rev Roy Smith, Vicar, St Michael and All Angels, Stonebridge (London): to be also a Prebendary of St. Paul's

The Rev James Tipp, Rector, Snodland w Lower Birling to be also Rural Dean of Cobham (Rochester). The Rev Canon Paul Tongue. Vicar, Ambiecote: 10 be also Rural

Dean of Stourbridge (Worcester). The Rev Geoffrey Wakeham: now Assistant Chaptain to the congregations of Torrevieja, Spain (Europe). The Rev Stuart Wilmox, Priest-incharge, St James w Christ Church, Bermondsey and St Anne and St

(Southwark). The Rev Gordon Winchester, Curate, Bishop Hannington Memonal Church, Hove (Chichester): to be Vicar, All Saints w Holy Trinity, Wandsworth (Southwark).

Aveustine, Bermondsey: to be also

Rural Dean of Bermondsey

CONSECRATION OF THE CENTRAL SYNAGOGUE Yesterday, the imposing Central Synagogue recently built in Great Portland Street, was

consecrated by the Chief Rabbi, the Rev Dr

The Chief Rabbi, the "Dayanim", or members of the Ecclesiastical Court, the wardens, and other honorary officers of the congregation, then brought the scrolls of the to the door of the new synagogue, and the Chief Rabbi exclaimed. "Open unto me the gates of righteousness, I will enter them, and oraise the Lord." The doors being opened, the Chief Rabbi and others entered in procession with the scrolls in their arms. The ten scrolls under richly embroidered velvet covers of crimson, purple, green and blue, were rolled round glided of silver rods, surmounted by

suspended small musical silver bells. The scrolls were then carried up the synagogue and, passing under a large canopy of crimson cloth embroidered with gold, the procession arrived at the ark, the reader and choristers singing a psalm. As they ap-proached the ark the venerable Sir Moses Monteliore, ascending the marble steps of the dais, withdrew the curtain before the ark upened the dark massive nak doors, and

### ON THIS DAY

April 8, 1870

The first synagogue in London was opened in 1657 ofter Cromwell allowed the Jews (banished in 1290) to return to England. The Great Synagogue, London's Jewry Cathedral in Duke's Place, Aldgase, opened in 1722; with oll its treasures it was destroyed during the Blitz.

disclosed the imerior, litted with gilded rails

for the reception of the scrolls. The procession, still bearing the scrolls, descended from the dais, and again passing elaborately carved linials, from which were beneath the canopy walked seven times round the synasogue. During the first circuit David's psalm (Psalm XXX) for the dedication of the house was chanted by the Rev S Ascher and choristers. A separate psalm was chanted during each successive circuit.

> The procession then again ascended the dais and reverently placed the sacred scrolls within the ark, the gates of which were immediately closed and the curtain redrawn by Sir Moses

Montefiore. There is no permanent pulpit, but a light caken pulpit was drawn to the front of the marble dais in front of the ark and from this central and elevated position the Chief Rabbi preached the sermon. Dr Adler was understood to refer to the Central Synagogue as the type and embodiment of the great central organisation of their charity and religion in the metropolis. It would represent the union of the various Hebrew congregations, as the Jewish religion itself was the centre of faith of all those creeds of mankind which deserved the name of religion. The munificence of members of their faith had enriched that temple. It was meet and right so to do, but these were only external graces, and the worshippers must remember to banish idle and profane thoughts when they entered the sanctuary, and to bring none but holy and spiritual meditations into the dwelling place of Jehovah.

Glancing at the oppression exercised upon the Jews in other ages and countries, the Chief Rabbi pointed out that the condition of the Jews in any State might safely be taken as the measure of the civilisation and enlightenment of that State. He referred in terms of congratulation to the position of the Jews in this country and their full enjoyment of social and political privilege.

## THE TIMES TODAY

#### **NEWS**

#### Labour to target hereditary peers

Labour is planning to abolish hereditary peers' voting rights as soon as it comes to power in the first step towards an elected House of Lords.

Tony Blair has made clear his disdain of the 770 hereditary peers, whom he described as "Tory voting fodder", and party workers are considering bringing in a Bill to strip them of their powers within the first six months of government.......Page 1

#### Teenagers' writing skills in decline

A significant slide in teenagers' writing skills since 1980 has been revealed by a unique comparison of English O-level scripts with GCSE examination papers. Researchers concluded that candidates who clearly failed O level would now be receiving a grade C or better at GCSE English, said to be the equivalent of an O-level pass.

#### Ulster 'faces war'

Gerry Kelly, the convicted tRA bomber and leading Republican strategist, told a Sinn Fein and IRA rally, that Northern Ireland faced a war situation ...... Page 2

#### Cleric backs Blair

A senior churchman publicly threw his support behind Tony Blair after the Labour leader enraged Conservatives by linking politics and religion and suggested the Bible had taught him he could never be a Tory...... Page 2

#### Windsor roundup

Members of the Royal Family. including the Queen, helped police and the Household Cavalry to recover 75 polo ponies stampeded by a late-night fire near Windsor Castle ..... ... Page 3

#### Prayers for victim

Pravers were said in Serb Orthodox churches across Britain for Sievan Popovic, 74, who died after being mugged ......Page 3

Blunkett triumph David Blunkeo made a triumphant return to the annual

conference of the Nadonal Union

#### of Teachers .... **Tower mystery**

A 60-year-old mystery involving high treason and sexual obsession may be solved with the release of government papers about Norman Baillie-Stewart. the last Briton imprisoned in the ..... Page 5

#### Pet hate

An estimated 100,000 expatriates on the Côte d'Azur are united in a campaign that should worry John Major - they are determined to overturn or flout Bridsh andrabies laws. ... Page 6

#### **New virus**

The discovery of a new hepatitis strain - hepatitis G - led to calls for patients to use their own blood in transfusions. This latest virus is probably carried by more than 800.000 in the UK ... ....Page 6

#### Korean alert

American troops in South Korea were put on high alert at the weekend as a third incursion of armed North Korean soldiers into the demilitarised zone raised tensions in the divided peninsula.

#### Arms swap denial President Chirac was embroiled

in controversy after French television said he had sanctioned weapons sales to Bosnian Serbs to free two pilots ......Page 8 Unabomber clue

A proverb's strange rendition provided the FBI with a clue that led them to believe Theodore "Ted" Kaczynski, 53. is America's most wanted man......Page 8

#### French protest

Doctors' surgeries in France will shut for a day in protest at the Prime Minister's plans to cut welfare spending .....

#### RAF's new recruits are failing to shine

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■ The RAF is in danger of becoming the riff-raff, officers fear. Young officers, once so socially adroit and dashing that they were known as the Brylcreem Boys, now speak in monosyllables and are more at home in the disco than the ballroom. Latest officer-training recruits are to be schooled in life's finer points — by order of the Air Chief Marshal ......Page



Yeoman Warders taking part in the Tower of London's State Parade yesterday in which they escort the Governor to the chapel

BUSINESS

Special delivery: The Post Office has set its sights on becoming the biggest travel agent in Britain and plans to sell cut-price scheduled airline tickets in most of its 20,000 branches ....

Back home: Peter Robinson, ousted chief executive of the Woolwich Building Society, has returned to his Kent home, where he promised to continue his defence against allegations of abuse of company facilities... ...Page 36

Wall Street worry: US financial markets are braced for significant initial losses as traders have the first chance to react to Friday's stronger-than-expected employment figures showing 140,000 jobs were created outside the farm sector last month .....

#### ARTS Veteran rocker: As his Shepherds Bush gig proved, Lou Reed may be 54 years old, but he has still got his finger on the rock'n'roll pulse...

Musical comeback: Denny Laine. Paul McCarmey's old partner, is attempting to reignite his career, which has been in limbo since he left Wings .. ..Page 10

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Fermat's Last Theorem: The solving of a famous conundrum will lead to new challenges, Marcus du Sautoy writes ....

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ticket holders share the jackpot, on the very eve of Easter. each winning £4.2 million.

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The depth of Mr Blair's beliefs does him credit. But his attempt to exploit them for political ends do not Christian principles do not belong to any party\_\_\_\_\_Page 15

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The nearest gateway to the outside world may soon be the Post Office. It hopes that it may soon compete with high street bucket shops to sell .. Page 15 air tickets.....

#### Mamprugipuiglnaba

Mrs Symonds is not a charity worker or a Unesco official; she is a teacher from an ordinary English village. To those who nourish human links belong tribal honour and glory ......Page 15

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China exists inside a large box, with Russia and Mongolia to the north; Islam (in the form of Kazakstan, Kirghizia, Tajikistan, Afghanistan and Pakistan) to the west; India, Nepal. Burma and on to Vietnam in the south; and Taiwan, Japan and ultimately the United States to the east. All regard China with some anxiety and with increasing suspicion ........... Page 14

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Tony Blair can learn a lot from Bill Clinton - about how to win elections and about how not to govern......Page H

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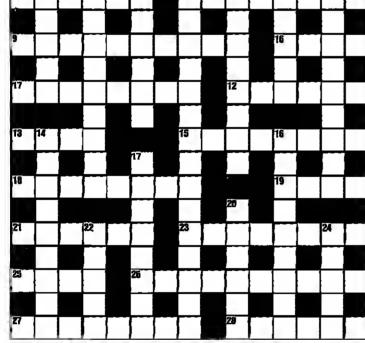
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The solution of Saturday's Prize Puzzle No 20,135 will appear next Saturday. The five winners will receive a bottle of Aberlour single highland malt whisky.

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6 Second thoughts about room provided for weapons (4-4). 7 Railway porter possibly carried

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showers Wind fresh to strong, mainly
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ling Premiership......Page 23 Scottish Cup: Rangers qualified to meet Heart of Midlothian in the final of the cup by beating Celtic 2-1 at Hampden Park, so keeping alive their hopes of a cup and league Page 22 Rowing: Oxford rowing may be facing a long-term crisis after the crew were beaten so decisively by a

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Motor sport: Damon Hill led from

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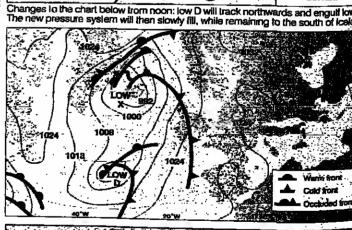
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